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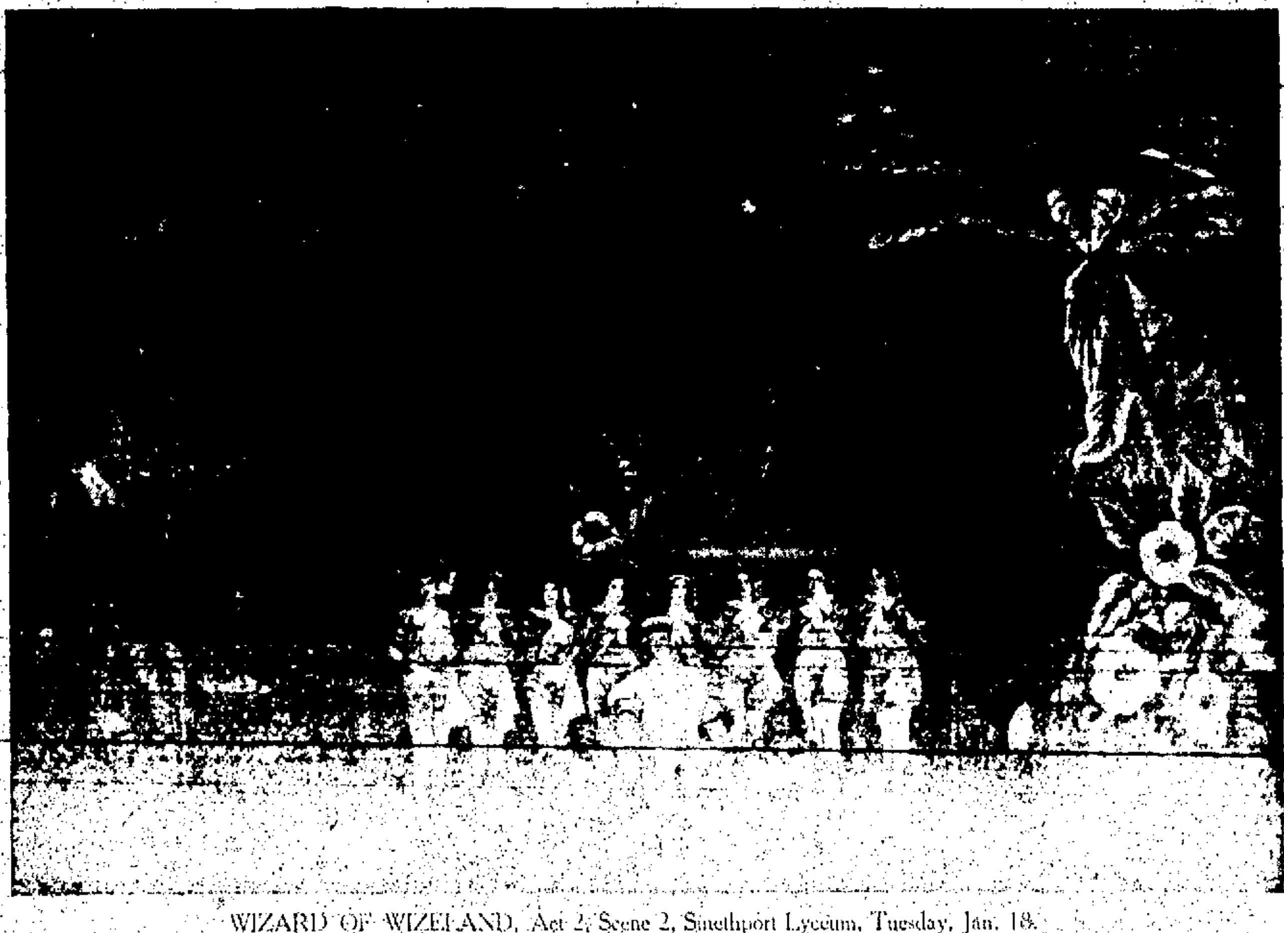

WIZARD OF WIZELAND, Act 2, Scene 2, Smethport Lyceum, Tuesday, Jan. 18.

LINDHOLM CO. NARRNWLY ESCAPE BIG FIRE.

Blaze Started in Second Story Late Yesterday Afternoon.

THE DAMAGE ESTIMATED AT $500.

Fire Started in Shelving in Millinery Department—It Was Extinguished by the Store Employees Before the Fire Department Arrived—Engine Out and Ready—Fire Whistle Weak.

What promised to be a very destructive fire was nipped in the bud yesterday afternoon by very prompt work on the part of the managers and employees of The Lindholm Company's store. The fire was discovered by one of the young lady employees on the shelving in the millinery department which is on the second floor. An alarm was promptly turned in and the Fire Department was ready for business in a short time. But in the meantime the fire had been extinguished with a few pails of water used at the right time in the right place.

The Fire Department had the big engine out and lines all ready for action when the word was given that the fire was out, and thus a great [illegible]

[illegible] Mr. Lindholm, the manager, a short time after the fire was extinguished and although he could not give an accurate estimate of the damage he roughly placed it at about $500.

The fire had run along the ceiling and top shelving for about 20 feet under which much millinery ribbon was kept and the damage done was in wetting this ribbon and a number of sets of furs which were near by. The origin of the fire is unknown but Mr. Lindholm is of the opinion that [illegible]

[illegible] it would have been almost impossible [illegible]

Although the fire whistle was so weak that it was not heard in buildings three blocks away the Fire Department was well represented and in short order the engine company, two hose companies, and the hook and ladder company was on the ground ready for business. Of late it has been the custom not to take the hook and ladder company out unless it was needed, but it is a good idea to have it at a fire and in readiness.

With a good fire alarm Smethport would have one of the most efficient volunteer fire fighting organizations in the State. Who will start the ball for a new alarm?

HAMLIN BANK & TRUST CO.

Stockholders Meet, Elect Officers and Declare Dividends.

At the annual meeting of the Hamlin Bank & Trust Company held January 11th, 1910, the following directors were elected for the ensuing year:

Henry Hamlin,
Charles McKean,
H. H. Redfield,
James A. McKean,
C. D. Comes,
F. D. Gallup,
John Forrest,
Orlo J. Hamlin,
Ralph E. Burdick.

At the directors' meeting the following officers were elected:

Henry Hamlin, President.
Orlo J. Hamlin, Vice President.
Ralph E. Burdick, Secretary and Treasurer.
Guy McCoy, Assistant Treasurer.

The customary 10 per cent. dividend was paid, making $140,000.00 that has been paid to the stockholders on the capital of $200,000.00 besides building up a creditable surplus.

For Sale.

Horses, wagons, carriages, buggies, harnesses, robes, farming implements, harvesting machinery and fertilizer. In fact if you want anything to supply the horse or farm, new or second hand call on or address

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Opp. Court House, Smethport, Pa.

STREAM POLLUTION.

State Officials Here Making an Investigation of Conditions of Allegheny River.

M. K. Ely of Harrisburg, superintendent of the bureau of stream inspection, is in the city. Mr. Ely is accompanied by M. E. Shaughnessy and Howard N. Haines of Harrisburg and H. S. Kauffman of Lititz, Pa. The party is on an inspection trip and will visit all points on the Allegheny watershed, before completing the mission which brought them to Bradford. The inspection will be made under the authority of the state board of health.

It is the intention of Mr. Ely and his associates to inspect all manufacturing plants in the territory drained by the Allegheny river, with the object of ascertaining how much refuse is discharged from each plant into the different streams. The state board of health will make a similar inspection of the entire state and late will endeavor to find means of doing away with the pollution of streams by waste from factories.

No stringent measures will be taken at the present time. It is the idea of the State board to have its inspectors confer with manufacturers, after having looked the ground over, with a view to have arrangements made for the disposal of waste without seriously affecting or discontinuing the business of the factories.

Mr. Ely and his party will make [illegible] their headquarters while [illegible] manufacturing plants of McKean county [illegible]

TWO HEROES LOSE LIVES.

Asphyxiated by Fumes of Carbonic Acid Gas at Punxsutawney.

A dispatch dated Jan. 11, from Punxsutawney says: Two men were asphyxiated by carbonic acid gas while trying to save a third from a similar death in the fermenting tank at the Punxsutawney brewery and the third is in the Grube hospital on his way to recovery as a result of the efforts to save him made by the dead men. The dead are: Michael Williamson, unmarried, [illegible] will recover.

[illegible] carbonic acid gas in the tank, called to his partners, who were working outside. They immediately went to his rescue and after some difficulty succeeded in getting him near enough to the open air to save his life. However, the would-be rescuers were overcome by their exertions and forced to fall victims of the deadly fumes within the tank. Meyers attracted the attention of other employes of the brewery, who carried him into a place of safety, and went to aid the other two, but to their horror, found that they had been asphyxiated.

Meyers was in a precarious condition as the result of breathing the fumes and was rushed to the Grube hospital, where medical attention was rendered and is well on the road to recovery.

Election of Officers.

The following officers were elected at Valley Grange, No. 1190, for the year 1910:

Master, W. P. Beckwith.
Overseer, Mrs. E. C. Day.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. C. Decker.
Chaplin, Mrs. Henry Cook.
Lecturer, Miss Lura Day.
Secretary, H. D. Otto.
Steward, Forrest Day.
Assistant Steward, Frank Hackett.
L. A. Steward, Miss Lora E. Otto.
Gate Keeper, E. J. Martin.
Ceres, Miss Edna Ferman.
Pomona, Miss Ellanora Martin.
Flora, Miss Elizabeth Summersgill.
Organist, Mrs. Frank B. Digel.
Trustee for 3 years, A. Patterson.
Trustee for 2 years, Mrs. W. P. Beckwith.
Trustee for 1 year, Mrs. L. Steinhauer.

Saturday evening the 1st and 2nd degree will be conferred on two candidates.

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MAY LICENSE HUNTERS.

Another Effort to be Made in Legislature to Impose $1 Tax on Each Hunter.

A dispatch from Harrisburg says: Another effort will be made at the next session of the legislature to pass a bill requiring all hunters in the State to take out licenses at a cost of $1 [illegible] complaints made by farmers about trespassing by hunters and investigating accidents, so that some state authorities believe the time is ripe to pass such a bill in Pennsylvania.

The proposed bill would place a tax of $1 upon every hunter, no matter whether he went for a day's hunt or went out on a two weeks' chase for deer. The licenses could be issued in such manner that a number could be traced in case a hunter damaged a field or shot a calf.

In addition to providing a means of safeguarding the farms and preserves by requiring all hunters to have their licenses with them and to show the number when required, such a law would raise between $150,000 and $200,000, in the opinion of Joseph Kalbfus, secretary of the commission. Dr. Kalbfus says this money could be used for the creation of additional game reservations, which would be closed at seasons and kept closed for breeding purposes and would also provide a fund for importation of deer and quail. Money not so used would create a bounty fund for the extermination of animals and birds which are not only a nuisance to the farmers, but destructive of game. As an estimate of the amount of money such a law would raise it is pointed out that Alabama received $117,000 from hunters' licenses last year.

Although the law in New Jersey went into effect last July, its state game commission received $44,305 for hunters' licenses. This money will be used in restocking woods and streams.

It is expected that strong opposition will be made to such a law in Pennsylvania, as in the 1907 session hunderds of remonstrances were filed.

"The Wizard of Wizeland."

It has been generally acknowledged by critics that the popularity of a musical comedy depends in a large measure on the coherency of its plot and that while the music may save a piece with a poor plot from immediate failure, it cannot carry it to success. The writers of the book of "The Wizard of Wizeland" have evidently borne this point well in mind, for exchange criticisms show that it has a well defined story as well as music and lyrics of a high order.

"The Wizard of Wizeland" has been one of the pronounced hits of this season's new musical pieces in other cities and manager John Clark announces its first appearance at the Smethport Lyceum on Tuesday, Jan. 18. It is claimed that the choruses, ensembles and lyrical numbers are of a type [illegible] One of the gems of the seventeen lyrics in the piece, "When Angels Light the Candles in the Sky," a soprano solo, is genuine classic and has been received everywhere with such applause that encores have perforce been limited to permit the continuance of the performance. "While Love is Blind," "Coming of the Moon," [illegible] etc., are some of the other big popular hits. Manager Clark advises that seats be secured early at Wells' drug store.

Human Life For January, 1910.

The piquant, beautiful face of Elsie Janis greets the reader on the cover of Human Life for January, and the issue carries a splendidly illustrated story of this clever little star.

A wealth of other good things is bound between the covers of this number. Alfred Henry Lewis' second instalment of "Traveling with Taft" is undoubtedly the big magazine feature of the opening year, and his account of a secret meeting at a certain Beverly cottage last summer is full of surprising disclosures.

Rufus H. Gillmore has an absorbing ~~story on~~ Mrs. Augusta E. Stetson, the dethroned but still feared and powerful leader of the great Christian Science Church which she built in New York City. It is a remarkable story of a remarkable women.

Vance Thompson tells the strange story of the duel waged by Mme. for her life, in which she match her beauty, wit and fascination against a relentless judge, and won.

More wonderful than the "Arabian Nights" is the story of Joseph Parrot and the building of the great Flagler railroad in Florida, by which it will be possible next February to go by rail to Havana.

Julia Marlowe in the bright particular star in this month's series of "Actresses of To-day."

The other departments, including "The Camera on Folks of the Hour," "Celebrities of the Day," "Caustic Comment of the Cartoon," "Modern Morals," etc., are right in step with the march of progress in their chatty, entertaining sketches of people worth knowing about.

Human Life Publishing Co., Boston.

HEIRESS AND WAITER LOVER ARE FOUND.

Roberta De Janon and Fred Cohen Caught in Chicago.

GIRL SAYS MAN IS BLAMELESS

Pair Had Traveled Over United States and Canada—Were Living as Father and Daughter When Placed Under Arrest—A Strange Story.

Miss Roberta B. De Janon and Ferdinand Cohen, heiress to $10,000,000 and Bellevue-Stratford waiter, who eloped from Philadelphia two weeks ago, were arrested in a lodging house in South Chicago Monday afternoon.

According to their own admissions, they left Philadelphia less than an hour after their disappearance from the hotel where the girl lived and the man worked as waiter. They went from Philadelphia to Atlantic City, thence to New York, then to Montreal, Canada, and from there to St. Johns, N. B. There they took a steamer bound for England, but left the ship at Halifax, and went from there to Boston and thence to Chicago, where they were located.

When policemen entered the house Miss De Janon was playing with a pet dog which she took with her when she disappeared with Cohen, who is 43 years old and married. Cohen was reading in an adjoining room. They were taken to the Chicago avenue police station. Cohen at first protested against arrest. He soon admitted his identity, however, and Miss De Janon, sobbing bitterly, pleaded with the police to restore her to her relatives.

After having been locked up, Miss De Janon came to the defense of Cohen. The story she told was in effect that she had lured the waiter and he was in no wise to blame. As a lonesome, motherless girl, he was the only one who understood and sympathized with her.

When the effects of Miss De Janon were examined 42 letters were found. Forty of them were written to Cohen and two to her father—one on January 2 and the other on January 5. There was also found a writing of the girl's which seemed designed as a statement for the protection of Cohen in the event of their being overtaken and Cohen arrested. This paper reads as follows.

"This is to certify that I, Bertha De Janon, have left my home at the Bellevue-Stratford, in Philadelphia, of my own accord; and I also acknowledge that I asked Fred Cohen to take me with him, and after refusing several times and finally consented to take me as his daughter. To-day is the sixth day since leaving home, and Fred has treated me just as if I was his own daughter. This will exonerate Fred Cohen from any blame whatsoever, as it was I who begged him to take me away."

In the possession of Miss De Janon the police found several letters, some addressed to her parents and one written to her by Cohen, dated Dec. [illegible] would not have to attend a private school. Her unmailed letter to her father is dated January 5 and reads:

My dear father:—I can't tell you how much grieved I am to have caused you and grandpa so much worriment and trouble; but I went away because I did not want to go out to that school, nor did I want to stay in Philadelphia. As I could not go myself, I persuaded Fred to go with me, as he has always been so kind and good to me; but before leaving he swore over mamma's grave that he would never wrong me in any way and that he would treat me as though I were his daughter.

He has proven himself a gentleman for he has kept all of his promises; and I can only speak in the highest terms for him, for he is a good-hearted man. It is all nonsense for them to say that I was in love with him for that is not so. I only cared for him as a dear, old friend. If we are caught I am going to kill myself, as I could not bear to go back again. Please, papa, dear, take Tootsey (meaning her pet fox terrier) and always keep her with you.

Be kind and good to her and take the best care of her. Now, please grant me that one favor. Please forgive me and try to think kindly of me, and also ask Mrs. Cohen to please forgive me, as I did not realize what trouble this thing would bring when I coaxed her husband to go away with me. Please do not prosecute Fred. Be thankful to him for the beautiful way he has treated your daughter. It was all my fault. Good-bye, dear papa and grandpa.

ROBERTA.

Wells' Ten-Cent Counter.

I have put in a ten-cent counter to close out a number of holiday novelties. Pictures and other articles valued as high as 75c can be found there if you look quick.

H. C. WELLS.

Dancing School.

There will be a dancing class started at the Lyceum next Saturday night, commencing at 7:30. Instructor, Emmett Quinlisk. Price 50 cents per lesson, which includes the attendance.

Hezekiah's Mistake

A Scholar Who Didn't Like School Discipline

By GWENDOLIN ADAMS

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A big awkward boy was Hezekiah Griggs, a pupil in the school of Eben Watson. The history class was up for recitation, but Hezekiah, though he had plenty of brains, had not applied them to studying the lesson.

He was growing decidedly uncomfortable. He knew well what an unprepared lesson meant, for in those days no weak leniency was shown to delinquents. To be sure, this was the first recitation Hezekiah had missed during the term, but was not that an aggravation of the offense? Since he had managed so long without failing, why fail at all?

Hezekiah was aware that as soon as the class was dismissed he would receive a not altogether unmerited flogging. He was perspiring at every pore. The icicles with which he had meant to refresh the thirsty occupants of the back seats melted in the intense heat, and a tiny stream of ice water trickled slowly from the extremity of either pocket and formed a miniature pool in the bottom of each cowhide boot.

The young offender was growing desperate, and when the master, having dismissed the other members of the history class, turned to him with the command, "Take off your coat, sir!" the boy stepped forward and obeyed with a feeling of actual relief.

"Your conduct has been most reprehensible, sir!" said the master, pushing up his coat sleeve and testing the strength of his ruler, while thirty pairs of eyes gazed spellbound on the awful [illegible].

"Most reprehensible, sir!" he repeated, and the ruler fell with a thwack which [illegible] through every [illegible] of the culprit's body.

Hezekiah never knew exactly what happened after that. He remembered that an [illegible] desire for vengeance [illegible]. He wanted to thrash the master, to thrash the whole school. Before the weapon could descend a second time he sprang at his assailant with clenched fists and blazing eyes.

There was a moment of breathless silence while the angry master collared his refractory pupil and shook him as a terrier shakes a rat. Then the flat sided ruler was once more brought into active play upon the back of Hezekiah Griggs.

"Now, sir," said the master when at length, becoming weary of such severe exertion, he released his hold on Hezekiah's coat collar, "take your seat and learn your history!"

Heedless of the command, the boy seized his jacket and, snatching his cap from its peg on the wall, made a rush for the door. He gained it without opposition, and before the astonished master had time to recover from his surprise he was racing along the highway toward home.

Into the big, roomy kitchen, where Grandfather Griggs himself sat in a great armchair reading the Weekly News, with Grandmother Griggs close by paring apples, he dashed like a runaway engine.

"Why, Hezekiah," exclaimed the good old woman, looking somewhat startled, "a body'd think you'd been fired from a cannon by the way you come flying in! What's happened?"

Hezekiah sat down and began to explain.

"You don't mean to say you've run away from school!" said the old man when the boy had reached the most interesting part of his narrative. "Oh, Hezekiah!"

The exclamation was full of sorrowful surprise, and Hezekiah's eyes fell.

"I'm not going back to school any more," he said doggedly.

He did not dare look up, for he knew the old man had set his heart on his becoming an educated man, and he expected him to be very angry. But grandfather took off his glasses, wiped them and said:

"Well, Hezekiah, we won't talk about it tonight. You'd best go to the barn and thrash peas till supper time, and we'll settle this matter about school tomorrow."

Hezekiah obeyed. He went about till dark looking triumphant.

Staying away from school was next thing to beating the master. He slept well and arose firm in his determination not to return to school. When his grandfather called him aside after breakfast and tried to convince him that he was wrong Hezekiah was still resolute.

"Well, Hezekiah," the old man said at last, "since your mind's made up there's no use of urging you further. I'd have been glad enough if you had gone, and if you'd have stuck to it I wouldn't have minded a year or two at college to finish off with. As it is, you'll have to earn your living some other way, and I supose the sooner you set about it the better."

"I'm willing to work, grandfather," Hezekiah said, in some surprise.

"Yes, I know, and I shouldn't wonder if Silas Jones would give you a job for a month or two. He was saying he'd like to get a boy to do chores, and, although you ain't much used to work, if you get round spry you might suit him."

"Grandfather"—

"Or," continued the old man, "if you'd just as soon thrash peas I'll hire you myself. I'll give you every tenth bushel, and you can pay me $1.50 a week for board. What do you say to that?"

"Just as you like, grandfather."

"Very well. Then we'll call it a bargain, and when you're through with that maybe somebody else will turn up, and if you should be out of a job, why, your little room will be ready for you, and I won't charge you a cent more than $1.50 a week. Now, it's your [illegible], Hezekiah."

Hezekiah was [illegible] surprised at the turn affairs had taken. It had never occurred to him that his grandfather, who had cared for him ever since he was left a helpless little orphan ten years before, would cast him off simply because he had tried to thrash the master and wouldn't go to school.

But he started for the barn, trying very hard to look as if things were turning out exactly as he had expected they would. He even managed to whistle faintly as he passed the window, through which he felt his grandfather was regarding him, but the last melancholy note died away long before he reached the barn.

Hezekiah never knew before that his grandfather had harvested so many peas. There they were, brown and crisp and inviting, piled in rough, uneven masses to the top of either mow and stowed away on the beams above him.

The boy tossed down a great heap into the middle of the thrashing floor, picked up his flail and began operations. But it was of no use to try to make himself believe that he liked to thrash peas.

He tried to buoy himself up with the thought that he was earning money, but long before night even this thought failed him as he began to realize that unless he got along considerably faster than he was then doing he would barely earn his board.

He kept steadily at his task for a week and then cleaned up and measured what he had thrashed—exactly forty bushels, of which his share, of course, was four bushels. Peas were worth 60 cents a bushel; accordingly he earned $2.40. After paying his board he would have 90 cents left—an average of 15 cents a day.

[illegible]

But pride would not permit him to stop, and all through the short December days and the first month of the new year the regular clip-clap of the flail was heard without intermission and the heap of peas in the granary grew and grew till it amounted to 250 bushels.

Hezekiah had almost completed his task and was rejoicing to think that he and the flail, which, in spite of their long standing fellowship, he cordially hated, were about to part company.

A boy is like a colt. Nothing is so well calculated to drive the nonsense out of his head and make him trustworthy as a little regular work. Hezekiah did not know this, but he was quite conscious that he did not feel as he had felt six weeks before.

He had been doing some hard thinking while swinging the flail and had begun to see that he was not altogether the fine fellow he had always imagined himself to be.

He had worked harder at this job of thrashing peas than he had ever done at anything before, and yet his earnings were barely sufficient to board and clothe him while thus engaged. He thought the matter over and came to the conclusion that he owed his grandfather something for all those years of helpless childhood, wherein the old man's love and care had been watchful and unremitting.

Hezekiah had a conscience. It was very like other boy's consciences, full of contradictions and absurdities; but, for all that, it pointed out that the least he could render to his grandfather for all his kindness was a willing obedience.

He made up his mind he would do it, and as he wielded the flail above the last "flooring" he was bravely resolving to tell his grandfather all that was in his heart. So deeply engrossed was he in pondering over this good resolution that he did not observe a dark shadow which fell between him and the sunlight that streamed through the open door till a voice said:

"Well, Hezekiah, you're just about done, I see."

The boy looked up and saw the benevolent face of his good grandfather smiling down upon him.

"You've done very well—very well," continued the old man approvingly. "I'd no idea that you would keep at it till they were finished; I believe there's the making of a man in you after all, Hezekiah. What were you thinking of going at next?"

The blood rushed to the boy's forehead, and his heart beat wildly, but he managed to say, "I'm a mean sneak, grandfather, but if you'd just as soon I believe I'll go back to school."

"All right," returned the old man calmly, "I'd just as lief."

And so, after all, things turned out very much as Grandfather Griggs had intended they should. Hezekiah went back to school, took his whipping for running away, finished his course in the history class and in due time went to college.

He became a prosperous city physician and still lives to tell his grandchildren of the fun they used to have in the little log schoolhouse years ago, and they often laugh over the mistake he made the time he undertook to thrash the master.

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Christmas Goods

My New Christmas goods have arrived [illegible]

[illegible]

Smethport, Pa.

The Story of [illegible]

A [illegible] the following story [illegible]

[illegible] was a sentient [illegible] featured an [illegible] dainty morsel [illegible] full. His [illegible] sight, but [illegible] both sides of [illegible] which a turtle [illegible] is closed and [illegible] well to the passing [illegible] world. The turtle was [illegible] masticating his [illegible], but it was a happy time. His whole body [illegible] contentedly, and he waved his fore legs with a caressing outpush, a motion exactly like that of a [illegible] at the breast. Then he wagged his head solemnly from side to side, as a wise turtle might who feels that such good luncheons are put up by fate only for the knowing ones of this watery world, and pushed himself halfway under the roots of a tussock for a nap."

A Daring Argument

A quick witted and daring lawyer once saved a guilty client from sure conviction on a charge of poisoning. It was proved that the poisoning had been done by means of certain cakes, a portion of which was produced in court. When the counsel for the prisoner had finished his speech he said: "And these, gentlemen of the jury, are some of the alleged poisoned cakes. We declare to you, gentlemen of the jury, that they are not poisoned cakes. They are as harmless cakes as ever were made, and in order, gentlemen of the jury, to show you that these cakes are not poisoned I will eat one of them right here in your presence." And he did eat one. He took good care, however, to leave the room at the earliest opportunity and to make a bee line for an adjoining room, where he had an emetic in readiness and an antidote. But the jury never heard about the emetic or the antidote until the lawyer's client had been acquitted.

A Proposal.

"A rose by any other name
Would be as sweet," and so would you,
Though changed in that you'd be the same,
As Shakespeare very wisely knew.

So don't be stubborn as the rose,
Which always must be called the same.
This is the project I propose;
Why don't you try the other name?

—Wilbur D. Nesbit in Judge.

Blaming It on Mary.

If Mary 'd used her little lamb
In just the way she should
She would have done without a doubt
The future ages good.
For instance, had she started in
Sheep farming, by the bye,
There would have been so many now
Lamb wouldn't be so high.

—Boston Herald.

Willie's Scheme.

"Willie, I am glad to see you chewing your victuals so thoroughly," said the frugal elderly relative with whom he was dining.

"Yes, gran'ma," answered Willie; "I'm makin' 'em go as fur as I kin."—Chicago Tribune.

THE DIFFERENCE A LETTER MADE

An Error In Spelling That Brought a Happy Thanksgiving.

By FRANK H. SWEET.

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"There's the importunate widow again."

It was a clerk in Mr. Farmer's grocery and provision store who said this to another clerk. The two laughed, exchanged winks and walked back among the barrels and boxes in the rear, leaving Mr. Farmer under fire.

The grocer stood by the scales. He had a long order before him that he was filling for Mrs. Willey, who lived in the stone mansion at the head of Pearl street.

It was Mr. Farmer's first order from Mrs. Willey, and he was filling it with

[illegible] the counter and [illegible] from him. He lifted his eyes to her face and then went on weighing out four pounds of [illegible].

She waited.

He kept on weighing and measuring and tying up and marking packages, giving no more attention to her than to the empty chair beside which she was standing and to whose back she was holding.

"Mr. Farmer," the widow said at length, "I have come to see about my husband's bill for paints furnished to your wife."

"I haven't any wife, and you haven't any husband," said Mr. Farmer, with something like a grin.

The widow's voice trembled as she answered: "You know, Mr. Farmer, that the plants were sold and delivered, and because my husband is dead [illegible] more your [illegible] should [illegible] you to keep faith [illegible]. You know the paints were delivered by your wife's orders, with the agreement that they were to be paid for in groceries."

"I know I didn't make any such agreement," he said. "I wouldn't give a pound of salt for all the plants you could put into this store for my own use. If Mrs. Farmer made such an agreement you must look to her for the groceries. She has left my house and taken away all the plants."

"That's no reason why I should lose a just debt."

"Well, now, look here, Mrs. Wiley, I'm very busy," said the grocer sharply. "I cannot give any more time to you. If you can settle with Mrs. Farmer, do it. Have it out with her—but I forbid you coming to this place again to bother me. I cannot and shall not listen to you."

Mrs. Wiley did not reply. With eyes cast down, but with bright spots glowing on her cheeks, she turned and went into the street. Then she pulled the veil over her face and walked along toward her home, crying.

Shortly after the plants in question had been delivered to Mrs. Farmer, Mr. Wiley had gone into the army, for it was the spring of 1861. He died the next fall at Fortress Monroe, leaving his family poor.

The mother cannot sit, face in hands, when the children are crying for bread. So the second day after she got news of her husband's death the widow began trudging about with a few small bills for collection. Pitiably few and small they were, Mrs. Farmer's being the largest. And now Mrs. Farmer had parted from her husband, and he refused to pay the bill.

"What am I to do about it?" This was Mrs. Wiley's question as she walked on with a feeling that all the world was moving away and leaving her behind.

She found herself near Cousin Hannah's. "I'll go in and ask her what I shall do," she decided.

She put her handkerchief under her veil, wiped away the tears and had her face reasonably tidied when she presented herself and submitted the question.

"Do?" said Cousin Hannah, with prompt sharpness. "I'd tell him he was a pretty Christian to cheat a dead soldier's widow."

"But that won't get me any money," the widow suggested.

"Then," said Cousin Hannah in another spasm of promptness, "I'd publish him!"

"That wouldn't make him pay the bill."

[illegible]

Cousin Hannah gave a [illegible].

"And when I opened for boarders," the widow continued, "I opened with a [illegible] two pounds of coffee and not five pounds of sugar. Part of both and I owe Mrs. Salvage a bowl of sugar. She has already sent twice for it. I owe you a quart of rice and a lump of butter and two tablespoonfuls of vanilla and a pint of raisins and half a cup of baking powder and three eggs."

"Excuse me, Eliza, but it's four eggs you borrowed," said Cousin Hannah.

"I don't remember but three," said the widow. "My pudding recipe calls for three, and it was a pudding I wanted them for."

"Whether it calls for three or not, you borrowed four eggs from me," said Cousin Hannah. "But I'm not going to let one egg hatch out hard words and feelings between me and my own second cousin, especially when she looks so bewildered and lifelike as you look in a widow's cap and black bombazine."

"I do feel bewildered and lost," said Mrs. Wiley, getting to her feet.

She went out of the house, hardly hearing Cousin Hannah's exhortation to look on the bright side.

"There is no bright side," she said to her heart as she hurried along the street like one pursued, crying again under her veil.

She went around to the back door and into her kitchen, wiping the tears off her face. There right at the sill she stumbled against a large basket and would doubtless have fallen into it face forward but for the fact that it was filled and heaped with bundles.

Whose basket was it? What were all those packages, big packages, little packages, middle sized packages?

She stood wondering over them. She felt of some. She got down by the basket and smelt of others. There was a rap at the door. She started like a thief. She was conscious of coveting those packages, for she had found out that they were groceries. Opening the door, she faced a deliveryman.

"I've come for the basket," he said. "I didn't find anybody to home, so I just set the basket in till I was going back."

"But whose goods are these?" asked the widow.

"Ain't they yours? You're Mrs. Wiley, ain't you?"

"Yes," said the woman, "but I don't think they can be for me."

"Here's the name," said the man, referring her to a card tied to the basket handle.

She stooped down and read on it the address, "Mrs. Wiley, Pearl street."

"Where are the goods from? Who sent them?"

"They're from Farmer's grocery store."

The woman's heart went up with a leap. It was hard not to cry for joy, not to laugh aloud, not to go down on her knees. She saw how it was—her importunity had conquered. Mr. Farmer had relented and been brought to do justly.

"Oh, yes, I understand now," she said. "It's all right." At which assurance the man threw the basket over his shoulder and went out to his wagon.

Then straightway there was a little figure in black kneeling at the table, the head resting on a pound package of tea.

When the thanksgiving was ended Mrs. Wiley got to her feet and began eagerly opening the bundles. What an invoice there was! There were raisins, cranberries, citron, spices, tea, coffee and sugar, butter, [illegible] cheese, crackers and bacon, [illegible] dried beef and [illegible] a dozen of [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] whistle and seem [illegible] their mothers [illegible] their own poor clothes, and although both [illegible] were worn and soiled, his face was shining as a measure of happiness.

"Hurrah! What's all this?" he cried, hurrying up to the table and taking a survey. "Where'd you get 'em, ma? Did you buy 'em on [illegible]?"

"Oh, no, dear boy, [illegible] it that God has heard [illegible] send us all these things."

"Why, of course I can, when I see you here before my eyes," [illegible] answer.

"And think how kind Mr. Farmer is! I feared he would never pay the bill your poor father had against Mr. Farmer, but today he has sent me all these nice groceries. See what big raisins, what large almonds!"

"No, no," said Sid, helping him [illegible] to the fine raisins and the piece of [illegible] Mr. L. Farmer [illegible]

[illegible]

"I suppose you will [illegible] usual. 'And they lived happily ever after?'"

"Not a bit of it," I [illegible]. "They are now happily married, but nobody knows what an old [illegible] may bring forth. The author, however, hopes for the best."—Boston Herald.

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Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary have been granted by the Register of Wills of McKean County upon the estate of Charles D. Seaman, late of Corydon Township, McKean County, Pa., to Walter Newton of Corydon Township, McKean County, Pa., to whom all persons indebted to said estate are hereby requested to make payment, and all persons having any legal claim against or demands upon said estate, shall make the same known without delay to

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Smethport, Thursday, Jan. 13, 1910.

Local and General.

—Read the advertisement of H. W. Rubin in another column.

—Considerable business was transacted at argument court here this week.

—The Lindholm Company has a few words to say about their pre-inventory sale in this issue.

—The ladies of St. Elizabeth's Aid will hold a cooked food sale in the basement of the parish house, Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

—Ray Goodrich, aged 27 years, of Bolivar, attempted to commit suicide last Friday by cutting his throat. He is in the Olean hospital and his recovery is doubtful.

—A gas explosion in the Dahlstrom Metal Door Company's factory at Jamestown last Thursday caused the death of Gust Johnson and several other men were injured.

—A wandering tramp picked up a registered letter on Davis street yesterday. He needed the money and the find came just in time. But something unusual happened. The tramp took the leter to the adress written on the envelope and was given a fair reward for his honesty. All tramps are not dishonest—and all losers of money are not disposed to be ungrateful, says Saturday's Bradford Era.

—Thirty-four dollars and eighty-three cents is what every man, woman and child in the United States ought to have if the $2,123,154,538 which is in circulation should be equally divided among them. That is the statement made by the Treasury Department on the basis of an estimated population of 89,644,000. The total amount of money in circulation is $36,000,000 more than a year ago at this time.

—Miss Edna Freeman, who teaches in Kushequa, is having an enforced and prolonged vacation owing to the closing of the school because of scarlet fever, measles and mumps.

—Thomas Harvey, a negro, whose wife died in Cincinnati the other day, became crazed and after driving every body out of the house, placed a cigarette in his wife's mouth, picked her up and went dancing down the street with the body in his arms.

—Mrs. Morey, Miss Morey, Mrs. Glenni Chase, Mrs. Wellington Burdick and Mrs. George Howe of East Smethport entertained at a chain tea in the chapel of the Methodist church on Monday evening. There was a large attendance, an interesting program and most excellent refreshments.

—A Fat Man's Mirror Factory will soon be added to our industries if Hon. James A. McKean is successful in gettings patents on a new invention of his. For further particulars and stock in this new enterprise see either Jas. A. or Charles McKean. It is a great scheme and should be a big success.

—In view of the fact that the gas supply in Kane is running short and in due time promises to play out altogether, citizens of that town are endeavoring to sell bonds to the amount of $300,000 with which it is proposed to pipe natural gas from the Jefferson county field. The Kane glass companies will purchase $200,000 worth of the bonds, leaving the balance to be taken over by the citizens. Appearances would indicate that the bonds would all be sold and that Kane will be a live one for many years yet.

—Think of forcing frozen iron bits into the mouth of a horse on a zero morning and then meditate upon how you would like your mouth, lips and tongue frozen fast to the bit until the skin stuck fast or was torn off and have a thought as to how you would like it. Then imagine how you, with decaying teeth, would like to bite upon a frozen bit until you warmed it to a comfortable temperature. The merciful man with a heart will think of his horse on these points on cold mornings, and will be sure to go to the little trouble it will cause to warm the bridle bit before forcing it into the horse's mouth.—Kane Leader.

—Chief Game Protector Joseph Kalbfus of Harrisburg received a message from Warden Joseph Berrier that Berrier had caught a man in Butler county "who worked the smoothest trick ever pulled off on the game commission," says the Derrick. The prisoner shot a doe in Elk county, and in endeavoring to escape the law against shooting any deer but one with horns he punctured the doe's skull and fitted on a handsome pair of antlers. The "nature fake" almost succeeded but Berrier got on the man's trail and landed him in Butler county. He was fined the maximum, $100.

—There is an attraction coming to the Smethport Lyceum on next Tuesday evening that "every man, woman and child will be delighted to see." It is the new brilliant musical comedy, the "Wizard of Wizeland." The fun of this production is uproarious and unremitting, never pausing for a moment save when the songs and dances are introduced by the capable company of comedians and pretty girls. There are Colleges girls and Society girls and all sorts of girls. There are tricks and devils magic. And there is also a big lion who will demonstrate how the king of beasts behaves when he makes a meal of a man. The "Wizard of Wizeland" has been deservedly playing to crowded houses with great success everywhere.

Public Sale of Valuable Real Estate.

Pursuant to an order of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, dated [illegible], the undersigned will sell at public sale, to the highest bidder, at the Court House, in Smethport, McKean County, Pennsylvania, on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY [illegible]

[illegible]

1st Piece: Beginning at a post the northwest corner of subdivision No. 101 in east line of Hamlin Township, and being a corner of Perry lot; thence by said township line and west line of subdivision No. 102, north 111.5 rods to a post which is the [illegible] east 78 rods to a post; thence south 111.5 [illegible]

[illegible] rods to post a [illegible] northwest corner of S. [illegible] farm; thence south on said west line 156.5 rods to place of beginning, containing 70 acres, more or less.

Excepting therefrom all the natural gas and 5-6 of all the oil, with the right to enter to drill, etc., for oil and gas; with the right of free gas sufficient for one house on each piece, and subject to a lease made by John O. Perry to M. C. Oakley for one half acre dated April 27, 1901, at a rental of $12 per year, the rent being paid to April 27, 1910.

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JAMES A. McKEAN,
Committee in Lunacy of John O. Perry.
JOHN N. APPLE,
Attorney.
January 12, 1910.

Notice of Incorporation.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That an application will be made to the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania on the 7th day of February, 1910, by M. F. Quinn, F. C. Olds, F. S. Sherman and John Troy under the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29th, 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the Charter of the intended corporation to be called Norwich Chemical Company, the character and object of which is to manufacture and deal in the products and by-products obtained from the destructive distillation of wood, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights benefits and privileges of the said Act of Assembly and its supplements.

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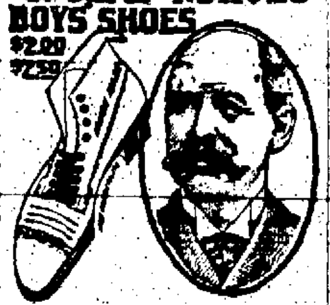

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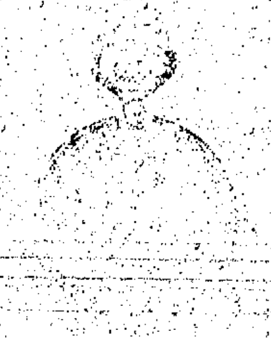

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Smethport, Pa., Thursday, Jan. 13, 1910.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

For Congress.

Editor Miner: Will you kindly announce that I am a candidate for Member of Congress from the [illegible] district, subject to the decision of the Republican party at the primaries to be held next June.

Charles F. Barclay,
Sinnamahoning, Pa., Nov. 15, 1909.

Editor Miner: You are authorized to announce my name as a candidate for Congress from the [illegible] Congressional District composed of the counties of McKean, Clearfield, Center and Cameron, subject to the Rules of the Republican Party. Primary [illegible] 1910.

[illegible] Patton,
Curwensville, Clearfield Co., Pa.

The [illegible] will be held on Saturday, [illegible]

Again there is talk of strained relations and possible war with Japan.

Woman's suffrage has a champion in former Governor Pennypacker. It sure ought to win out now.

A Georgia jury acquitted a man of violating the liquor law, though $2.00 worth of liquor was found in his place, accepting the testimony of the defendant that "the liquor had been purchased for the purpose of filling a physician's prescription for his wife."

According to the Kane Leader there are 12,701 less saloons in America than a year ago, while the total receipts from spirits shows a net gain of $2,000,000, so far this fiscal year which began July 1, 1909. Pigs earn must be doing business in the "dry" country.

Assemblyman John M. Flynn of Elk county has been appointed by Gov. Stuart as one of the commission to revise the state's election laws. The commission will revise not only the general election laws, but also the primary election and registration laws of the state.

J. L. Stober, state treasurer-elect, of Shoeneck, Lancaster county, was found dead in bed at his home Tuesday morning. Mr. Stober was sixty-seven years old and was elected on the Republican ticket in November. He was to have taken office in May. He fought in the Civil War and served several terms in the legislature as representative and senator.

Col. W. R. Andrews celebrated his 72nd birthday on Thursday of last week. Col. Andrews is chairman of the Republican State Committee of this state, Secretary of the Senate Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads, Secretary of the United States Postal Commission and Secretary to Sen. [illegible] Penrose, which goes to show that he [illegible] one of the busiest men in Pennsylvania.

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Foote Family Reunion.

Mr. N. Foote, whose home is in Saskatchewan, Canada, and who has not been here for over 33 years, came to Port Allegany during the holidays and is now visiting his parents, brothers, sisters and friends. It was a surprise to his aged parents and his brothers and sisters who had not seen him in so long a time.

A family reunion was given at his father's residence on the Brooklyn side and the following persons were persent: Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Toft, Ceres, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Black, Ceres, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Foote Ceres, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Foote, Port Allegany; U. H. Foote and J. R. Foote, Smethport; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Patchen of Ceres, N. Y.; and W. L. Foote of Shinglehouse.

N. Foote was born in Annin township, McKean county, in the year 1855. When a very young man he was seized with the desire to go West where there were better opportunities for young men. Mr. Foote went up into the State of Wisconsin and was engaged in the lumber business of that state for several years. He went from there to Minneapolis, Minn., where he was engaged in business in that city for a number of years. He decided to go up into Klondyke during the excitement there, for gold but having changed his mind he went up into the province of Saskatchewan, Canada, during the year 1901 where he now owns many acres of land in the wheat belt of that province.

Mr. Foote will remain with his parents, brothers and sisters, relatives and friends about two months before going back to his home in the far West. [illegible]

They will return home by the way of Port Allegany to visit relatives there, after which they will [illegible] together.

A Musical Comedy.

The [illegible] "The Wizard of Wiseland," which will be seen [illegible] Tuesday, [illegible] Lyceum.

The cast will [illegible] and players [illegible] another [illegible] the Savage, Klaw and Erlanger, [illegible] and Fields, Anna Held and B. C. Whitney companies. Some of them hail from the Grand Opera Company of Leipsic and others from various musical organizations in London. Just as their selection was carefully and laboriously made, so has their respective assignments for parts been happily made. The praises sung by the press in every city where the Wizard has shown how he ruled over Wiseland will bear ample testimony to the ability and artistic worth of every member.

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Smethport, Thursday, Jan. 13, 1910.

Local and General.

—[illegible] fallen off the [illegible]

—A Farmers' Institute will be held in Kane next Monday and Tuesday.

—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Abbey on Thursday, January 6, 1910, a boy.

—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baylor on Saturday, January 8, 1910, a boy.

—Large quantities of chemical wood are being hauled through town these days.

—Claude Lyons is working in the postoffice on Saturdays and after school hours.

—A social afternoon at the Travellers' Club Saturday, Jan. 15, from 3 to 5 p. m. Refreshments and program.

—Mrs. Jonathan Colegrove has been ill for the past two weeks but is said to be somewhat improved at the present time.

—Mrs. Orlo J. Hamlin entertained a number of little children Monday afternoon in honor of Miss Hannah's birthday.

—Women robbers are doing the holdup game in Chicago all of which goes to show that that city is progressive.

—Miss Edith McGuire entertained the Bridge Whist Club yesterady afternoon at the parlors of the Grand Central Hotel.

—Don't forget to attend the primary election to be held in the various polling places in the county one week from next Saturday.

—Mrs. George Clark of Mexico City, whose husband is a brother of Dr. John C. Clark of this place, died recently according to a telegram received here.

—There are a large number of cases of mumps and measles in town, especially among the school children and the attendance at the classes has been reduced of late.

—Fred Andrews who was brought here last week Monday seriously ill, continues to be in a critical condition. Milan Andrews who was operated on at the Kane Hospital last week Tuesday is reported as rapidly recovering.

—Mrs. C. W. Dickinson who has been in Buffalo at one of the hospitals for some time came home on Tuesday greatly improved and her speedy recovery is hoped for.

—Fry & Comes' big auction clearing sale begins Monday next and A. H. King, the well-known auctioneer of Erie, will be here to conduct the sale, which will last for over a week as will be seen by [illegible] in this issue.

—Norman Bush, the [illegible] year old son of Andrew Bush of Norwich was brought to his aunt's, Mrs. Alexander Cunningham, of East Smethport, on Sunday suffering with appendicitis. The case was so severe that little could be done for it and the boy died on Monday. The funeral service was held on Wednesday and the burial was at Colegrove.

—After a deadlock lasting several days the county commissioners on Saturday appointed Eugene Peake of Bradford mercantile appraisor for the ensuing year. Mr. Peake is one of the county's foremost Republican workers who is extremely popular in Bradford and his appointment will please a large circle of friends both in that city and in various parts of the county.

—The following officers elected at the annual election of F. & A. M., No. 388, and installed last evening: Worshipful Master, Ralph E. Burdick; Senior Warden, Edgar W. Strong; Junior Warden, J. Lawrence Morrison; Secretary, William F. Specht; Treasurer, Himan W. Rubin; Rep. Grand Lodge, Charles W Masser; Trustees, Daniel M. Brasted, Orlo J. Hamlin, Fred D. Gallup.

—On Tuesday the license of S. Lundon for the Hotel Hazel at Hazelhurst was transferred to Alfred Hagberg formerly of this borough, who for the past few years has been conducting the bottling works at that place, and in the future that hotel will be conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Hagberg. A number of years ago Mr. and Mrs. Hagberg conducted a first-class restaurant in this borough and we know we are safe in saying that the Hotel Hazel has fallen into competent hands and will rank among the best in the county.

—A gang of men have been at work here this week taking down the cables and wires of the Union Telephone Company. A few years ago this company had a large number of subscribers in this borough and were in a prosperous condition, but now, while the company seems to be prosperous in other places it has steadily lost its hold here until they have decided to abandon this field. While one telephone is all that is needed in a town of this size a little competition [illegible]

—The dancing party given by members of the Eastern Star [illegible] at the Lyceum Tuesday evening was a great success. Each member of the order invited a couple [illegible] which brought the attendance up to about 60 couples. Chadwick's orchestra furnished excellent music and the very palatable luncheon was furnished by Miss Pittman. The members of the Eastern Star [illegible] a good time [illegible] until a late hour.

—Next Sunday morning at the Methodist Episcopal church there will be the usual sermon followed by communion. At 12 [illegible] the Sunday school [illegible] At 6:30 p. m. the Epworth League holds its regular meeting, Fred [illegible] will have charge of the [illegible] for the coming month. At 7:30 p. m. the regular evening preaching service with a sermon by the Rev. S. A. Morse of Olean, N. Y., district superintendent of the Olean district. The First Quarterly Conference will be held in the chapel on Monday evening, Jan. 17.

—The "Wizard of Wizland" promises to be one of the most satisfactory and enjoyable performances that has ever been in Smethport in the musical comedy line. It is rich with mirth and jolly with amusing predicaments, all sweetened with the bewitching smiles of irresistible girls and strengthened by clever and acrobatic comedians. And then there is the lion, the best stage animal ever imported into this country. In the "Wizard of Wizland" you will hear the brightest and catchiest [illegible] that will come your way this year. This attraction will be at the Lyceum on next Tuesday evening.

—This morning's Era says: "Yesterday afternoon the local police were notified by the Chief of Police of Johnsonburg, Pa., that a warrant was held there charging an Italian with abduction. According to the story given the police, the alleged abductor, who is about 24 years of age, left Johnsonburg with a young Italian girl, on the B., R. & P. train 6, due in Bradford at 3:30 p. m. The message did not come in time, however, for the police to detect this couple, but it was learned early this morning that the two persons left the train here. It is not known whether they again boarded the cars or remained in Bradford. The girl, who is claimed to be 16 years old, does not look to be over 13 or 14.

Personal Mention.

Sheriff W. H. [illegible] had business in Bradford yesterday.

Miss [illegible] was a visitor in town yesterday.

Mrs. George [illegible] is visiting friends in [illegible]

Attorney John E. [illegible] was a visitor in town yesterday.

H. S. [illegible] of Mt. Jewett was a business visitor in town Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John G. [illegible] have returned home from their honeymoon trip.

Mr. and Mrs. James Chisholm have arrived at Smethport and are pleasantly located in the B. B. Knapp house.

R. W. Stark, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. W. Stark, left yesterday for Mt. Clemens, Mich., where he will receive treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott F. Redfield and J. L. Morrison returned home from Buffalo Saturday. Mrs. Redfield had been visiting her parents in Syracuse.

Parents Attention!

Cases of all who have been excluded from school on account of mumps, measles or chicken pox will be readmitted to school on the certificate of disinfection issued by the health officer upon the receipt of the physician's certificate of recovery and request for disinfection. Other pupils living in the household will be readmitted upon the recovery of the person who has been sick and upon presentation of the proper certificate from the health officer. All children in households in which mumps, measles or chicken pox exists must be kept fom school until the person or persons afflicted have fully recovered.

T. T. ALLEN.

G. A. R. Elects Officers.

Officers elected at the regular meeting, Jan. 6, 1910, of McKean Post, No. 347, G. A. R., and installed by Commander J. M. McElroy, as follows:

Commander, E. R. Mayo.
S. V. Commander, J. H. Still.
J. V. Commander, J. C. Cunningham.
Quarter Master, J. Colegrove.
Sergeant, George W. Irons.
Chaplain, T. A. Morrison.
Officer of the Day, S. G. Bush.
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Conditions of this sale will be same as the first one, viz: Everything as represented or money refunded. Highest bidder gets the goods.

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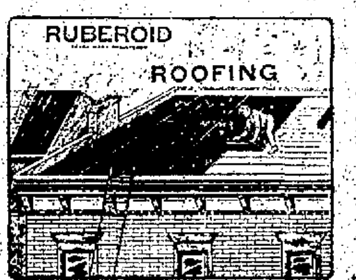

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MAMMON AND THE ARCHER

A Rich Soapmaker Proves That There's Power in Money.

By O. HENRY.

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Old Anthony Rockwall, retired manufacturer and proprietor of Rockwall's Eureka soap, looked out the library window of his Fifth avenue mansion and grinned. His neighbor to the right—the aristocratic clubman, G. Van Schuylight Suffolk-Jones—came out to his waiting motorcar, wrinkling a contumelious nostril as usual at the Italian renaissance sculpture of the soap palace's front elevation.

"Stuck up old statuette of nothing doing!" commented the ex-soap king. "The Eden Musee'll get that old frozen Nesselrode yet if he don't watch out. I'll have this house painted red, white and blue next summer and see if that'll make his Dutch nose turn up any higher."

And then Anthony Rockwall, who never cared for bells, went to the door of his library and shouted "Mike!"

THERE ARE SOME THINGS THAT MONEY CAN'T ACCOMPLISH.

in the same voice that had once chipped off pieces of the welkin on the Kansas prairies.

"Tell my son," said Anthony to the answering menial, "to come in here before he leaves the house."

When young Rockwall entered the library the old man laid aside his newspaper, looked at him with a kindly grimness on his big, smooth, ruddy countenance, rumpled his mop of white hair with one hand and rattled the keys in his pocket with the other.

"Richard," said Anthony Rockwall, "what do you pay for the soap that you use?"

Richard, only six months home from college, was startled a little. He had not yet taken the measure of this sire of his, who was as full of unexpectednesses as a girl at her first party.

"Six dollars a dozen, I think, dad."

"And your clothes?"

"I suppose about $60, as a rule."

"You're a gentleman," said Anthony decidedly. "I've heard of these young bloods spending $24 a dozen for soap and going over the hundred mark for clothes. You've got as much money to waste as any of 'em, and yet you stick to what's decent and moderate. Now, I use the old Eureka—not only for sentiment, but it's the purest soap made. Whenever you pay more than 10 cents a cake for soap you buy bad perfumes and labels. But 50 cents is doing very well for a young man in your generation, position and condition. As I said, you're a gentleman. They say it takes three generations to make one. They're off. Money 'll do it as slick as soap grease. It's made you one. By hokey, it's almost made one of me. I'm nearly as impolite and disagreeable and ill mannered as these two old Knickerbocker gents on each side of me that can't sleep of nights because I bought in between 'em."

"There are some things that money can't accomplish," remarked young Rockwall, rather gloomily.

"Now, don't say that," said old Anthony, shocked. "I bet my money on money every time. I've been through the encyclopedia down to Y looking for something you can't buy with it, and I expect to have to take up the appendix next week. I'm for money against the field. Tell me something money won't buy."

"For one thing," answered Richard, rankling a little, "it won't buy one into the exclusive circles of society."

"Oho! Won't it?" thundered the champion of the root of evil. "You tell me where your exclusive circles would be if the first Astor hadn't had the money to pay for his steerage passage over?"

Richard sighed.

"And that's what I was coming to," said the old man, less boisterously. "That's why I asked you to come in. There's something going wrong with you, boy. I've been noticing it for two weeks. Out with it! I guess I could lay my hands on eleven millions within twenty-four hours, besides the real estate. If it's your liver, there's the Rambler in the bay, coaled, and ready to steam down to the Bahamas in two days."

"Not a bad guess, dad; you haven't missed it far."

"Ah," said Anthony keenly; "what's her name?"

Richard began to walk up and down the library floor. There was enough comradeship and sympathy in this crude old father of his to draw his confidence.

"Why don't you ask her?" demanded old Anthony. "She'll jump at you. You've got the money and the looks, and you're a decent boy. Your hands are clean. You've got no Eureka soap on 'em. You've been to college, but she'll overlook that."

"I haven't had a chance," said Richard.

"Make one," said Anthony. "Take her for a walk in the park or a straw ride or walk home with her from church. Chance! Pshaw!"

"You don't know the social mill, dad. She's part of the stream that turns it. Every hour and minute of her time is arranged for days in advance. I must have that girl, dad, or this town is a blackjack swamp forevermore. And I can't write it—I can't do that."

"Tut!" said the old man. "Do you mean to tell me that with all the money I've got you can't get an hour or two of a girl's time for yourself?"

"I've put it off too late. She's going to sail for Europe at noon day after tomorrow for a two years' stay. I'm to see her alone tomorrow evening for a few minutes. She's at Larchmont now at her aunt's. I can't go there. But I'm allowed to meet her with a cab at the Grand Central station tomorrow evening at the 8:30 train. We drive down Broadway to Wallack's at a gallop, where her mother and a box party will be waiting for us in the lobby. Do you think she would listen to a declaration from me during that six or eight minutes under those circumstances? No. And what chance would I have in the theater or afterward? None. No, dad, this is one tangle that your money can't unravel. We can't buy one minute of time with cash; if we could, rich people would live longer. There's no hope of getting a talk with Miss Lantry before she sails."

"All right, Richard, my boy," said old Anthony cheerfully. "You may run along down to your club now. I'm glad it ain't your liver. But don't forget to burn a few punk sticks in the joss house to the great god Mazuma from time to time. You say money won't buy time? Well, of course, you can't order eternity wrapped up and delivered at your residence for a price, but I've seen Father Time get pretty bad stone bruises on his heels when he walked through the gold diggings."

That night came Aunt Ellen, gentle, sentimental, wrinkled, sighing, oppressed by wealth, in to Brother Anthony at his evening paper and began discourse on the subject of lovers' woes.

"He told me all about it," said Brother Anthony, yawning. "I told him my bank account was at his service. And then he began to knock money. Said money couldn't help. Said the rules of society couldn't be bucked for a yard by a team of ten millionaires."

"Oh, Anthony," sighed Aunt Ellen, "I wish you would not think so much of money. Wealth is nothing where a true affection is concerned. Love is all powerful. If he only had spoken earlier! She could not have refused our Richard. But now I fear it is too late. He will have no opportunity to address her. All your gold cannot bring happiness to your son."

At 8 o'clock the next evening Aunt Ellen took a quaint old gold ring from a moth eaten case and gave it to Richard.

"Wear it tonight, nephew," she begged. "Your mother gave it to me. Good luck in love she said it brought. She asked me to give it to you when you had found the one you loved."

Young Rockwall took the ring reverently and tried it on his smallest finger. It slipped as far as the second joint and stopped. He took it off and stuffed it into his vest pocket, after the manner of man. And then he phoned for his cab.

At the station he captured Miss Lantry out of the gadding mob at 8:32.

"We mustn't keep mamma and the others waiting," said she.

"To Wallack's theater as fast as you can drive!" said Richard loyally.

They whirled up Forty-second to Broadway and then down the white starred lane that leads from the soft meadows of sunset to the rocky hills of morning.

At Thirty-fourth street young Richard quickly thrust up the trap and ordered the cabman to stop.

"I've dropped a ring," he apologized as he climbed out. "It was my mother's, and I'd hate to lose it. I won't detain you a minute. I saw where it fell."

In less than a minute he was back in the cab with the ring.

But within that minute a crosstown car had stopped directly in front of the cab. The cabman tried to pass to the left, but a heavy express wagon cut him off. He tried the right and had to back away from a furniture van that had no business to be there. He tried to back out, but dropped his reins and swore dutifully. He was blockaded in a tangled mess of vehicles and horses.

One of those street blockades had occurred that sometimes tie up commerce and movement quite suddenly in the big city.

"Why don't you drive on?" said Miss Lantry impatiently. "We'll be late."

Richard stood up in the cab and looked around. He saw a congested flood of wagons, trucks, cabs, vans and street cars filling the vast space where Broadway, Sixth avenue and Thirty-fourth street cross one another as a twenty-six inch maiden fills her twenty-two inch girdle. And still from all the cross streets they were hurrying and rattling toward the converging point at full speed, and hurling themselves into the struggling mass, locking wheels and adding their drivers' imprecations to the clamor. The entire traffic of Manhattan seemed to have jammed itself around them. The oldest New Yorker among the thousands of spectators that lined the sidewalks had not witnessed a street blockade of the proportions of this one.

"I'm very sorry," said Richard as he resumed his seat, "but it looks as if we are stuck. They won't get this jumble loosened up in an hour. It was my fault. If I hadn't dropped the ring we—"

"Let me see the ring," said Miss Lantry. "Now that it can't be helped I don't care. I think theaters are stupid anyway."

At 11 o'clock that night somebody tapped lightly on Anthony Rockwall's door.

"Come in," shouted Anthony, who was in a red dressing gown, reading a book of piratical adventures.

Somebody was Aunt Ellen, looking like a gray haired angel that had been left on earth by mistake.

"They're engaged, Anthony," she said softly. "She has promised to marry our Richard. On their way to the theater there was a street blockade, and it was two hours before their cab could get out of it.

"And, oh, Brother Anthony, don't ever boast of the power of money again. A little emblem of true love—a little ring that symbolized unending and unmercenary affection—was the cause of our Richard finding his happiness. He dropped it in the street and got out to recover it. And before they could continue the blockade occurred. He spoke to his love and won her there while the cab was hemmed in. Money is dross compared with true love, Anthony."

"All right," said old Anthony. "I'm glad the boy has got what he wanted. I told him I wouldn't spare any expense in the matter if—"

"But, Brother Anthony, what good could your money have done?"

"Sister," said Anthony Rockwall, "I've got my pirate in a devil of a scrape. His ship has just been scuttled, and he's too good a judge of the value of money to let drown. I wish you would let me go on with this chapter."

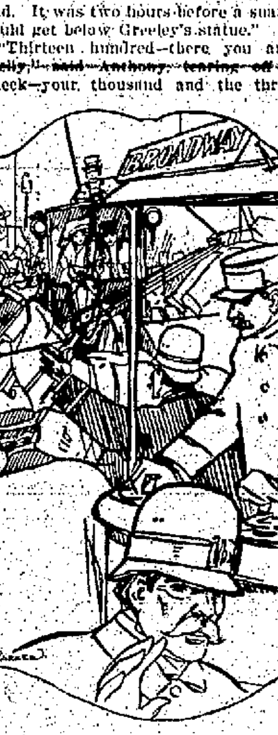
The story should end here. I wish it would as heartily as you who read it wish it did. But we must go to the bottom of the well for truth.

The next day a person with red hands and a blue polka dot necktie who called himself Kelly called at Anthony Rockwall's house and was at once received in the library.

"Well," said Anthony, reaching for his checkbook, "it was a good bilin' of soap. Let's see—you had $5,000 in cash."

"I paid out $300 more of my own," said Kelly. "I had to go a little above the estimate. I got the express wagons and cabs mostly for $5, but the trucks and two horse teams mostly raised me to $10. The motormen wanted $10, and some of the loaded teams $20. The cops struck me hardest—$50 I paid two, and the rest $20 and $25. But didn't it work beautiful, Mr. Rockwall? I'm glad William A. Brady wasn't onto that little outdoor vehicle mob scene. I wouldn't want William to break his heart with jealousy. And never a rehearsal either! The boys was on time to the fraction of a second. It was two hours before a snake could get below Greeley's statue."

"Thirteen hundred—there you are, Kelly," said Anthony, tearing off a check—your thousand and the three hundred you were out. You don't despise money, do you, Kelly?"



ONE OF THOSE STREET BLOCKADES HAD OCCURRED.

"Me?" said Kelly. "I can lick the man that invented poverty."

Anthony called Kelly when he was at the door.

"You didn't notice," said he, "anywhere in the tieup, a kind of a fat boy without any clothes on shooting arrows around with a bow, did you?"

"Why, no," said Kelly, mystified. "I didn't. If he was like you say maybe the cops pinched him before I got there."

"I thought the little rascal wouldn't be on hand," chuckled Anthony. "Goodby, Kelly."

Fertile Land.

English farm lands that have been tilled continuously for centuries still produce an average of [illegible] bushels of wheat to the acre every year.

Jack Tars.

Few people know the reason why sailors are so often called "Jack Tars." The name dates from the days of gossiping Samuel Pepys and is an abbreviation of the word "tarpaulin." It came into use to distinguish the real practical seaman, who knew his business, from the "swell" officer, who did not always.

The Word "Mile."

The word "mile" comes from the Latin "mille," a thousand. A thousand paces of a marching soldier made the Roman mile.

Smoke and Lightning.

On the approach of a thunderstorm French peasants often make up a very smoky fire in the belief that safety from lightning is thus insured. By some this is deemed a superstition, but the custom is based on reason, inasmuch as the smoke acts as a good conductor for carrying away the electricity.

Steam Pipes.

The pounding noise of steam pipes can be obviated by attaching to the pipes a small check valve, set to admit air, but not to release any pressure.

Foggy London.

In no German city has the loss of sunshine due to fog yet equaled that prevalent in London, where the foggy days during the three months December, January and February have increased from eighteen to thirty-one during the last half of the past century.

Seagulls.

Sixty-four herring fry have been found in the stomach of a single gull, and it is estimated that the gulls round the British coast eat at least 400,000,000 fish every day.

The Wild Apple.

Researches by a horticultural expert show that the so called "wild apple," or "wild crab," from which many of the present standard commercial varieties have sprung, were wayward descendants of trees originally imported from England and other foreign countries in the eighteenth century.

Doctor Ants.

Doctor ants [illegible] incredible if they were not vouched for by Huber, Lubbock and others. They bathe and nurse the sick, put them to bed and show more humanity than most folk.

Childlike and Bland.

A man in Hamburg who was arrested for stealing a bicycle pleaded that it was his birthday the next week and he had intended to sell the machine in order to buy himself a present.

Pencil Writing.

If the paper on which there is black lead pencil writing is laid over water in which there is [illegible] or of varnish the pencil [illegible] will be preserved from liability to [illegible].

Boudoir.

The much abused word "boudoir" really means a sulkery and is derived from the French verb bouder, "to sulk." Thackeray had a room in his house upon the door of which was a sign, "My Sulkery," and whenever that door was locked he was never disturbed.

A Chinese Custom.

If a Chinese sailor rescues a drowning man the rescued person is bound by Chinese law to keep and feed him for the rest of his life.

A Wonderful Fan.

Mme. Pompadour had a wonderful fan. The lace cost about $30,000, and it took some years to make the five sections, each one containing a medallion so minute as to be almost invisible to the naked eye. It is now in existence, broken and apart, but still showing traces of its great beauty.

A Locust Pestilence.

In the year B. C. 128 800,000 persons perished by a pestilence arising from the putrefaction of great swarms of dead locusts.

Minute Carving.

Mymecides, an ancient carver, was so proficient in microscopic mechanism that he made an ivory ship, with all its decks, masts, yards, rigging and sails, in so small a compass that it might have been hidden under the wing of a fly. He also made a chariot with four wheels and as many harnessed horses which took up scarcely more room than the ship.

Closing Out Sales.

"Closing out sales" and the like are placed under ban in many of the leading cities of Russia, where strict rules are established governing such sales to prevent an imposition upon the public.

Ironmaking.

The first mention of ironmaking in Pennsylvania goes back to 1692. It is contained in a metrical composition entitled "A Short Description of Pennsylvania," by Richard Frame, which was printed and sold by William Bradford in Philadelphia in 1692. Frame says that at "a certain place about some forty pound" of iron had then been made.

Potato Poison.

Poison from potatoes or potato salads sometimes catches German soldiers. It is caused by Proteus bacillus. Potatoes should be eaten as soon as cooked.

His Ambition.

Freddy—Papa, may I study elocution?

Fond Father—[illegible], my boy, if you [illegible] to become a great [illegible].

Freddy—Yes, I think I'll.

Fond Father—[illegible] one day amaze the world [illegible] your eloquence?

Freddy—[illegible] I want to be a after dinner speaker.

Fond Father—Ah, you are ambitious for social distinction, are you?

Freddy—No; I want the dinners.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Two of a Kind.

Youth is like a fashion,
[illegible]
Very [illegible]
Tempting as [illegible]
All the [illegible] fair.

Tempting in a way to walk,
Deaf to [illegible] of reason,
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] treason.

[illegible]
—New York Times.

The Coming Campaign.

He [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
He [illegible] with graceful ease,
[illegible] with a smile;
[illegible]
[illegible]
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Practical.

Examiner—What [illegible] is meant, Mr Smoothly, theologically speaking, by necessity and free will?

Candidate—Well, where a man gives because he belongs to the church himself, that is free will. But where he gives because his wife belongs, that is necessity.—Puck.

Not Interested.

[illegible]

Ferrotype.

[illegible]

Would Be Taken Care Of.

"Mr. [illegible] worthy of you!"

"Never mind about that," responded the young lady with the flat square jaw. "Between mother and myself I think we can effect the necessary improvements."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Transparent.

Said a [illegible] to his wife,
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] Statesman.

Why Phyllis Smiles.

She smiles [illegible] every day,
[illegible]
[illegible]
Because she has a dimple.
—Pittsburg Dispatch.

One's Inferiors.

"You should always be generous to your inferiors, my child."

"Yes, dad, but my inferiors are always trying to make people believe they are my superiors."—Chicago Record-Herald.

The Great Appeal.

Of forms of introduction known
For neatness and dispatch,
It seems to me, this stands alone—
"Hey, brother! Got a match?"
—Princeton Tiger.

On the Stagecoach.

Driver—Oh, I say, this money don't go here!

Passenger—Why not?

"Because it's stage money."

"Well, isn't this a stage?"—Yonkers Statesman.

Aeronautics.

Mary had the Lahm cup.
Its weight was twenty pound.
She had it melted up and made
A Mary-go-around.
—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Look at the Other Side.

"When you gits de worst of a hoss trade," said Uncle Eben, "keep still an' remember dat you is simply feelin' de way de yuthuh feller would feel if you'd got de best of it."—Washington Star.

His Bill of Fare.

At breakfast he ate a poster red.
At lunch a light overcoat;
At dinner on tin cans he fed,
For the diner was a goat.
—Chicago News.

Real Haughty.

Hotel Clerk—What time will you be called?

Guest—At 9 o'clock, and I want the proprietor to call me. Don't send a bellboy.—New York Press.

Foolish Stuff.

Question—A stump kin speak,
And a chump kin lie,
But what kin a punip do?
Answer.—A pump-kin pie!
—Cleveland Leader.

Going Up!

"I shouldn't think this aviation business was profitable."

"Why?"

"Because it is always going up."—Baltimore American.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY

[illegible]

President Judge—[illegible] Beaton.

Member of Congress—C. F. Barclay, [illegible].

State Senator—[illegible]

Members of Assembly—[illegible] A. McLean, Smethport; R. W. Dalton, Smethport.

District Attorney—Guy B. Mayo, Smethport.

Sheriff—Wm. H. Morrison, Smethport.

Prothonotary—H. C. Starsky, Smethport.

Recorder—H. M. Choate, Smethport.

Register—J. B. Eastman, Smethport.

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Commissioners—A. M. Marsh, Bradford Twp.; J. A. Peterson, Bradford; John P. Devlin, Bradford.

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Auditors—A. A. Abbey, Smethport; A. R. Anderson, Clermont; A. R. Cory, Coryville.

Coroner—E. R. Sherman, Bradford.

County School Superintendent—Burdette S. Bayle.

Borough.

Burgess—[illegible]

[illegible]

Collector—R. C. Gleason.

Assessor—G. H. Hyde.

Auditors—J. A. Swanson, C. B. Corwin, W. [illegible].

Justice of the Peace—H. S. Rahn.

Inspectors of Election—E. T. Daly, E. M. McKean.

LODGE DIRECTORY.

F. & A. M.—McKean Lodge, No. 388, meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month, at 7:30 o'clock p. m., at Masonic Hall, Main street.
CHARLES W. MASSER, W. M.
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I. O. O. F.—Smethport Lodge, No. 389, meets Friday evening at 8:00 o'clock in I. O. O. F. Hall, with work in the degree first meeting of each month; 1st degree on second; 2nd degree on third, and 3rd degree on fourth meeting.
WADE DERRICK, N. G.
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I. O. O. F.—Smethport Encampment, No. [illegible] of each month in I. O. O. F. Hall.
[illegible] CUNNINGHAM, Chief Patriarch.
[illegible]

[illegible]

I. O. R. M.—Meets every other Monday evening in I. O. O. F. Hall; Adoption degree every 1st Monday; Warrior's degree 2nd Monday; Chief's degree 3rd Monday.
[illegible]
L. K. HOGARTH, C. of R.

CHURCHES.

Methodist Episcopal—W. A. Harris, pastor. [illegible]

[illegible]

Wesleyan Methodist Church—[illegible] Services at the Baptist church every Sunday at [illegible] prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.

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AN ALPINE CLIMBER.

How a Girl Distinguished Herself on New Year's Day.

By [illegible] A. BURTON

[illegible]

[illegible] traveling now into many remote parts of the world studying investigating exploring, a strong self confident and courageous girl from the first and gaining experience and new ambitions with her progress until now at the end of only a few years she was ranking as a [illegible] mountain climber [illegible] a student [illegible] of travel.

[illegible] was in exultation [illegible]

[illegible] and small.

[illegible] with [illegible] of his party to [illegible] in a snowslide and carried over a [illegible]. He was the only one [illegible] and had been swept down the mountain side and saved himself only at the very point of the precipice by cutting the connecting rope.

The severed bit of cord still dangled from his waist overlooked and forgotten in the horror of the catastrophe.

And among the party were friends and acquaintances of Marcia Wells met with in her travels. They had started to climb the very mountain [illegible]

[illegible]

TIED [illegible] RECENTLY TO A

[illegible] Marcia [illegible] she [illegible]

They were now [illegible] the way up and Marcia Wells was standing upon a narrow shelf of the spur so narrow that only her heels held with her toes projecting over but her face was calm and her nerves steady.

Many times had she been in such places before. On either side were the guides grasping the rope which secured them together and holding it taut to assist her in rounding the almost sheer wall of the spur.

But for a long time she stood there gazing then slowly inch by inch, for that was the only way she continued to edge her way across.

"The signorina would better have taken the other route," the advance guide said anxiously "and even now it will be easier to go back. This way is shunned even by the more reckless of the guides."

"It is the way the other party went," Marcia answered briefly. "Maybe it was a mistake on their part but it is too late to change that now. They started this way and were intending to scale the sheer wall beyond the guide told us. It must have been near [illegible] the slide struck them. Doubtless from his story they all perished but until we have absolute proof to [illegible] there is a chance they [illegible] It is for us to find out. Ah!"

[illegible] exclamation was a startled one [illegible] a curved palm above [illegible] quickly and gazed [illegible] into the depths below.

[illegible] you [illegible] the rope and hold it [illegible] wall of the rock. I [illegible] far enough to see [illegible] and the rope [illegible]

[illegible] whatever!

[illegible] may be death!" gasped Henri in remonstrance. "It is dangerous as you are now, and if you lean out your heels may slip and then—and then you will go down and drag us with you. It may be death!"

"It may be life for the ten persons the snow carried over. I do not know but there is the edge of something dark just over the ledge of rock and [illegible] still. You may hold your knives ready and if I fall you can cut the rope quickly and save yourselves."

[illegible] hands as possible to hold it [illegible] slipping or swaying. Marcia [illegible] sustaining her weight her heels resting against the narrow shelf keeping her in position. Then after what seemed an endless suspense to the men at the end of the rope, her hand motioned for them to draw her back to her footing.

"Yes it is the party" she said as she regained her balance "and some of them are alive. We must go down to them."

"[illegible] the rope is not long enough [illegible] protested in a breath "and [illegible]"

"[illegible] that we can" Marcia said [illegible] we can try. There are [illegible] large enough for one [illegible] One of us will stay [illegible] down to a [illegible] as far as the rope will reach and so [illegible] lengths of the rope [illegible] down to the party [illegible] five pieces of strong [illegible] can be used to draw [illegible] up [illegible] shelf to shelf as the party are rescued."

"A girl could never draw a heavy body up this wall!" fearfully, "and—and if the rope should slip away and be lost—"

"We will take that risk. And I shall be strong enough to draw them up. I have done such things before. Now Henri!" as she worked her way along the shelf to his side and motioned for the other guides to follow, "you will stay here and lower the rest of us to the next [illegible] then fasten the rope to the [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] words. Only half of the lives of all will depend [illegible]

[illegible] of us men would better [illegible] Henri.

[illegible]

[illegible] was lowered to the next [illegible] and Gaspard followed.

It was now Marcia's turn to do the rest alone.

But this step was more dangerous than the others for there was but one pair of arms to bear her weight and the distance was greater than either of the two former descents.

The brave girl made a loop at the end of the rope and instead of having it placed about her waist, took it in her hands that she might drop whatever distance the rope would not reach.

And so swinging by her two hands she was lowered to the rope's full length.

There still remained six feet between her and a rocky projection on which there was a surface as many feet square. She called to Gaspard to move three feet to the left. He did so and she called again to him to move two feet farther in the same direction. Then she told him to swing her gently to and fro from the cliff. When directly over the proper place she let go and safely landed on the rock.

Tying the end of the rope around a point of rock, she completed her journey.

It was only after a day and night and another day of such hardihood and daring as was told at the inn and chalets for many a long year that the work was finished.

Even the guides fired by the example of Marcia and perhaps also by solicitude for the other guides of their party seemed to be unconscious of fear and hunger and weariness.

When at the end of the second day they reached the foot of the mountain the rescuers were almost as exhausted as the party they had saved and from the [illegible] Marcia Wells hands [illegible]

[illegible] of another mountain to climb.

DAMES AND DAUGHTERS.

Bertha E. Baumer of Atlanta, Ga. is a successful inventor. She has taken out a dozen patents within the last few years.

Mrs. Charles Netcher of Chicago is the most heavily insured woman in the United States and probably in the world. Her [illegible] will be paid $1,000,000 at her death.

[illegible] much than to study music.

The [illegible] Countess of Dudley, a daughter-in-law of Mrs. John Ward, who is the daughter of [illegible] is an enthusiast in cookery reform. The countess has lately published a book on scientific cooking.

Mrs. Grover Cleveland has gone to Lausanne, Switzerland to remain two years for the education of her children and although her arrival in Europe was unheralded it has stirred no little interest in the society circles of the foreign capitals.

The dowager Duchesse d'Uzes is in spite of her age one of the most [illegible] women in France. [illegible]

Pen and Brush.

[illegible] was a [illegible] sufferer from the vagaries of memory.

G. K. Chesterton's figure is now so large on the literary stage that it is difficult to believe that only nine years ago he was unknown to the public. In 1900 he published his first book.

Elizabeth Akers Allen who wrote the famous poem "Rock Me to Sleep, Mother" fifty years ago is seventy seven years old. Born in Maine she began to write when she was a girl of fifteen.

William Powell Frith the oldest of British painters died in London recently. Had he lived until January he would have been ninety one [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] in Mexico [illegible]

[illegible] value of all farm [illegible] in the United States was [illegible]

College and School.

The Ohio State university has a [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] has been [illegible] for this year. The [illegible] takes effect June next.

English Etchings.

In England a dog used to guide a blind person is exempt from taxation.

The municipality of Peterborough, England, has enriched its treasury perceptibly by engaging in the celery business.

If the number of people daily entering London were to be dispatched from any given station by rail 1,977 trains each conveying 600 persons would be required.

The little village of Buckland in the Moor, Devon, which has a population of fewer than 100 enjoys the distinction of having no public house, no policeman, no physician, no parson and no pauper.

Queer Ads.

"Wanted a horse to do the work of a country minister."

"Wanted a young man to take charge of three horses of a religious turn of mind."

"Just published poems written by an invalid who has suffered for many years for his own amusement."

"Lost a white haired terrier by an old gentleman answering to the name of Tim with a black spot on his nose."—Liverpool Mercury.

German Gleanings.

Germany frowns on skyscrapers or anything approaching them.

Germany's four super Dreadnoughts will each have a crew of 1,000 men.

Prussia has twenty engineering and similar training schools for the metal industry.

A compass testing station near Berlin is a unique adjunct of the German navy. The testing tower is subjected to pitching, rotating, shaking and in fact, to every motion to which a warship is liable in service.

John Whitson's Ambition

He Found a Work For Which He Was Fitted

By FRANK H. SWEET

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John Whitson gave up his ambition at eighteen, leaving college and taking up the reins which his father had dropped. It was not to be temporary, he understood, but a complete renunciation of all his plans—of his life as he had hoped to make it. There were six children and a rundown farm and a mother whose waning strength should be nourished rather than drawn upon. It was the only way, better to sacrifice his ambition than that they should be forced upon charity. In his own plans it would be years before he could educate himself and make a living.

So the books were laid aside and he forced his energy to a study of the farm and its problems. His father had been content with the old methods and had fallen behind. He must push on into the new, not only for the necessary livelihood but for the growing needs of his brothers and sisters and their education. A city was but a few miles away, and gradually he fertilized the barren fields to renewed productiveness to such vegetables as the markets called for.

He was shy by nature, a scholar whose world was in retirement with his books, but now he forced himself upon a peddler's cart and sold vegetables and fruit from house to house bargaining for the needs at home. He counted his earnings like a miser and planned for their shrewd expenditure and he lost sleep in the study of converting soil and sunshine into profit [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] This girl [illegible] When the two youngest were still too young to have thought much about their future. But [illegible] they came home and [illegible] and from that time all of them had entered [illegible] to allow him [illegible] support. [illegible] what he had raised he had [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] early and [illegible] and [illegible] his [illegible] it was his [illegible] not his heart. He never went to [illegible]

[illegible] his [illegible] and a stern [illegible]

[illegible] There was not a farm in the country round that was better managed or that produced more for its size. John Whitson was [illegible] the neighbors said which meant that he was always on the lookout for weak sensitive places in fence or field—as in himself—that could be strengthened by timely renewal or patching or toning up. If there was any duty he shrank from that was the duty he was apt to seek first and do most thoroughly.

By the time the younger children were ready for the final studies which were to fit them for their chosen callings the college graduate and the civil engineer were at work and sending their mites to the home fund. And with the coming of these mites came John's first opportunity to turn his attention to the mortgage.

Of late years he had not permitted himself to regard the future as a personal problem. It was too far away. But with the lessening of the mortgage and the near establishment of the last of the children his own future was again drawing marvelously near. What should he do with it? How unite it with the books which had practically been laid aside for twenty years? He had no taste for farming but he understood it and could wrest from even his few acres a comfortable living. Could he do as much with his books and dreams of which he had made no test?

But even in his thoughts he did not hesitate. The books and dreams were his and burden or banner, it was right that he should take them into his future when the future should be clear. He would lift the mortgage first and would train a boy to a competent management of the place and would put aside enough for household needs. Then he would be free to go. There would be no further necessity for his presence here. His mother was old, of course and needing care but Jane the normal graduate, was at home from teaching now and would remain with her. They could get along just as well without him. His duty was elsewhere with his true vocation.

So he turned over such work as he could to the boy he was training and spent part of each day with his books. It would be [illegible] perhaps many years before he could finish [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] things that were an advantage then were no longer his and even the maturity that made him stronger was in a way detrimental.

He did not spare his weakness nor magnify his strength. In those days he had dreamed of the work he would do in the pulpit [illegible] fresh and strong [illegible] in his studies. Now the [illegible] would be [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] the miners or Indians [illegible] was lost but rather the world where laborers were few. And in the West perhaps earnestness would be accepted in place of the culture to which he had not attained.

So he worked and studied and dreamed and counted the money that was bearing him on and at length when the time drew near he began to study—the conditions of his [illegible] he had fitted to those of his mind and faith for the years that had bridged the chasm of his duty had sapped his strength. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Marcia [illegible]

[illegible] she [illegible] went to the window [illegible] with [illegible] A flood [illegible] came in [illegible] at his side.

[illegible] as she bent over him [illegible]

He started a little [illegible] and [illegible] his face grew [illegible]

[illegible] "[illegible] my [illegible] Jane [illegible] quietly. "I did not wish you [illegible] to know [illegible] worried."

[illegible] "[illegible] she [illegible] practical farmer [illegible] practical man I ever saw. [illegible] She [illegible] the window [illegible] continued. "Now I want a real long talk with you. [illegible] the west in your head. I suppose [illegible] up here is [illegible] that is [illegible] in the camps and [illegible] churches."

[illegible] "You know I have never [illegible] outside of [illegible] in all my life [illegible] and it seemed a duty [illegible] myself for it."

"Look here, John Whitson," she began. Then her voice softened suddenly. "You mean all right Brother John but you can't do it. You would die from exposure out there inside of a month. Besides you are not fitted for that kind of work. I know what you'd like to have been and what you have been but you're mistaken in thinking any part of your life lost. It has been full—just as full perhaps as though you could have done as you wished. The Lord does not waste his workmen, John."

Her hand was resting upon his shoulder now and her voice had grown tender and thoughtful.

"You want to do all you can with the rest of your life" she went on, "but it seems to me you can do more here. You understand this people better than you do that. I was through some of the worst streets of the city yesterday, and I heard little children swearing at each other in the gutters, and I heard of sick men and women stifling in close rooms, with no one to minister to them. I would like to do something myself, John and I can help you here but not out there. We have a nice farm and a big house that we cannot half fill and now that the children are provided for have more than we can use. Why not bring little children out here where you can teach them to be good farmers and I good housekeepers? And we can fill up the empty rooms of the house with tired and sick ones who could not otherwise get country air and food. It seems to me we could do the Lord's work well here, John."

And John Whitson, after a long silence, rose slowly and held out his hand as a token of compact. But the new light which came into his eyes was not of resignation to some new duty; rather was it a recognition of stronger work for which he was fitted.

"You are right Jane," he said simply. "The Lord's work is here."

Zulu Music

In most cases Zulu instrumental music is extremely monotonous and with very little variety [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

Capital Punishment

Capital punishment prevails in all of the states and territories of the Union except Michigan, Wisconsin, Rhode Island, Kansas and Maine. It was abolished in Iowa in 1872 and restored in 1878. It was also abolished in Colorado but was restored in 1901. In New York and Ohio execution is by electricity.

The Smallest Dog

The smallest dog is probably the Chihuahua of Mexico. It can snuggle in the [illegible] may be concealed in [illegible]

The [illegible] of Kodiak

[illegible] in the gulf of Alaska south of the great stretch of territory that stretches northward [illegible] pure white with long heavy fur and at full growth are twice as large as the ordinary black bear.

Galvanized Iron

Galvanized iron is not galvanized at all but is coated with zinc by being plunged into a bath of that metal and muriatic acid.

Moth and Flame

Moths fly against the candle flame because their eyes can bear only a small amount of light. When they [illegible]

[illegible]

Mr. Pickwick's Nightgown

A writer in the Cornhill Magazine [illegible] Mr. Pickwick [illegible] nightshirts or nightgowns [illegible] garments when [illegible]

Pasquinades

Pasquinades is a term frequently applied to [illegible] publications of a satiric [illegible] sometimes written and sometimes printed. They derive their name from one Pasquino, a witty cobbler who dwelt at Rome at the close of the fifteenth century and delighted his patrons with his sarcastic humor.

Saltpeter In Glue

The addition of a teaspoonful of salt[illegible] will not only act as a disinfectant but will cause the glue to dry [illegible] and to become harder.

Handy With the Sword

Mlle. Maupin (in the time of Louis XIV.), a beautiful woman and charming vocalist was so nimble with either sword or pistol that Parisian gallants "fought shy" of her. Three did accept challenges and she "pinked" each of them fatally. She afterward killed her fencing master.

Whirlpools

Whirlpools are really circular currents of water produced by winds or other currents. They are very seldom found on a large scale. The two celebrated whirlpools of the world are the Maelstrom and Charybdis.

A Queer Fish.

The maltha, a Brazilian fish, can crawl, walk or hop but cannot glide through the water like its finny brethren. In shape it is something like a toad and possesses a long snout. But it is also furnished with fins, though these are not adapted for acting on the water.

Granite

Granite is a fire formed rock which has been subjected to intense heat and enormous pressure deep down beneath the surface of the earth.

Artificial Ivory.

An artificial ivory of creamy whiteness and great hardness is made from good potatoes washed in diluted sulphuric acid and then boiled in the same solution until they become solid and dense. They are then washed free of the acid and slowly dried. The ivory can be dyed and turned and used in many ways.

The Ambidextrous Japanese.

Japanese children are taught at an early age to write and draw with both hands and to this fact has been ascribed the superiority of Japanese art in certain directions, especially in neat sewing.

COMPLETE STATEMENT

Of the McKean County Fair Association for the Year 1909.

Secretary Guy McCoy of the McKean County Fair Association has compiled a complete statement of the 1909 meeting, and for the first time this interesting summary has been given out for publication. The statement gives the complete list of the receipts and disbursements and shows that the fair would have been a paying proposition, but for the fact that a number of items of previous years were paid out of the funds on hand this year, leaving a small deficit. Encouraged by this fine condition of affairs, the management will make the annual McKean County Fair still greater in the future than it has been in the past.

We are indebted to the McKean Democrat for the type and the statement, which follows.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand, July 1, 1909	$ 91 11	
From sundry sources,	10.62	
From Donations	105.56	
From Admissions	4,252.15	
From race entry fees	584.50	
From premium catalogue	517.38	
From exhibitors' fees	256.81	
From concessions	525.86	
From mdse. sold	2.07	
From State appropriation	1,000.00	$7,326.30

DISBURSEMENTS.

1909 Expense	$5,807.50	
Paid on old acct.	252.17	
1909 Premiums	1,068.58	7,128.25

Cash on hand Nov. 19, 1909	198.11

The following accounts, for 1909 Fair expense, remain unpaid, Nov. 19, 1909:

O. D. Nourse due June 1, 1910	$187.50	
Smethport Chem. Co. 45.00	252.50	
Secretary's Salary	100.00	
Beans Lumber Co.	208.63	
Interest	10.50	561.63

And against this amount there is still outstanding and due the Association the sum of $127.00 which with cash on hand reduces the year's deficit to about $236.00. But inasmuch as there was paid on old accounts out of this year's receipts the sum of $252.17 it will be seen that the receipts for 1909 Fair just about equalled the disbursements.

STATEMENT IN DETAIL.

RECEIPTS

Admissions.

Season Tickets,	$[illegible]	
Single Admission,		
1st day	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Race Entry Fees		[illegible]
Motor Cycle Races		[illegible]
Receipts other than above		
Cash on hand July 1 1909	91 11	
From Don O'Connor for Mules	1 00	
" " advertising in Catalogue	[illegible]	
" 1909 Payroll, donated	2 [illegible]	
" 1909 concessions donated	2 00	
" Ralph E. Burdick, donation	76 00	
" Orin J. Hutchins, donation	24 00	
" State appropriation	1000 00	
" R. W. Hilton, donation	5 56	1297 62

Premium Catalogue.

From Emery Mfg. Co.	$10 00	
Bradford Brewing Co.	10 00	
First Nat. Bank, Bradford	10 00	
P. H. Reed	10 00	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
Patton & Wheeler	5 00	
Bradford Business College	5 00	
P. G. Corey & Co.	5 00	
B. H. Demming	5 00	
H. W. [illegible]	5 00	
Fry & Comes	5 00	
Daly & Garlick	5 00	
Nat'l. Fraternal League	5 00	
G. F. Daly	5 00	
E. A. Bodine	5 00	
Johnson Jewelry, Bradford	5 00	
Hotchkiss Studio	3 31	
Sherman Studio	3 31	
E. W. Strong	3 31	
G. W. Brennan	3 31	
Anthem Bros.	3 31	
L. J. Reamer	2 50	
Butler House, Port Allegany	2 50	
J. M. Sloan	1 25	
F. A. McCoy	2 50	
M. N. Allen	2 50	
C. J. Vanbiad	2 50	
Alf. Sturdvelrit	2 50	
Amforter & Lyle	2 50	
Oscar Engstrom	2 50	
F. A. Green	2 50	
E. T. Daly	2 50	
D. M. Brasted	2 50	
E. E. Heath	2 50	
Anderson & Carlson	2 50	
Specht & Sasse	2 50	
W. J. Kerr	2 50	
Carrie R. Clark	2 50	
J. S. McCarty	2 50	
J. Colegrove	2 50	
A. B. Armstrong	2 50	
A. T. Palmer	2 50	
E. R. Caldwell & Co.	2 50	
T. J. Young	2 50	
C. Witheron	2 50	
J. W. Voorhees	2 50	
W. F. Specht	2 50	
C. B. Dickinson	2 50	
H. C. Wells	2 50	
Smethport Ice Co.	2 50	
C. A. Anderson	2 50	
C. H. McVean	2 50	
C. Lemmler	2 50	
W. H. Mandervllle & Co.	2 50	
Mansion House, Bradford	1 25	
J. L. Bayer	2 50	
J. H. Williams	2 50	
G. S. King	5 00	
Westbrook Business College	3 34	
Backus Novelty Co.	2 50	
C. A. Burdick	2 50	
Thompson & Co.	10 00	
E. W. Jones	2 50	
R. S. Hays	2 50	
De Laval Separator Co.	10 00	
W. Monheimer	2 50	
S. F. Redfield	2 50	
A. R. Drake Co.	2 50	
Melville Gillett	10 00	
Fry & Comes (score card)	2 00	
Crystal Ice Co.	10 00	
Boyaird & Seyfang	5 00	
A. R. Simons	10 00	
Jas. McGuire	10 00	
J. W. Mulligan	3 34	
N. R. Collins & Co.	10 00	
G. A. Wilson	2 50	
P. F. Bord & Co.	5 00	
Rochester Hotel	2 00	
D. Whitestone	2 50	517 55

Exhibitors' Fees.

From Atwood Putnam	$2 50
Miss F P Kerr	1 00
W H Barlett	1 00
A L Provin	1 00
Wm Tanner	1 00
Alta Stuart	1 00
Harriet Wise	1 00
H J Deitter	1 50
Mrs J A Miller	1 00
Mrs C C Choate	1 00
Miss Mae Choate	1 00
Mrs Alma Robinson	1 00
N B Gleason	2 10
Henry Clark	1 00
Mrs F A McCoy	1 00
D L Forsythe	1 50
Eug Evans	1 50

Mrs Frank D Harmon	1 00	
Leo Hainer	1 00	
Henry Klesath	1 00	
F B Granther	1 00	
Mrs E D Comes	1 00	
W S Acre	1 00	
Mildred Holder	1 00	
Adelia Malcolm	1 00	
S M Proper	1 00	
Mrs C Washburne	1 00	
Mrs E E Heath	1 00	
Emma L Stark	1 00	
May Dibble	1 00	
Mrs E F Richmond	1 00	
J A Rice	1 00	
Mrs J A Rice	1 00	
Dora Taylor	1 00	
Mrs C M Leete	2 91	
Mrs F A Green	1 00	
Lois Green	1 00	
Mrs J C Hoffman	1 00	
Mrs T A Morrison	1 00	
Mrs B F Wright	1 00	
Mrs R C Sasse	1 00	
W G Holder	1 00	
Ella Gallup	1 00	
A B Armstrong	4 20	
Mrs E L Perry	1 00	
S J Swanson	1 00	
Mrs W G Robarts	1 00	
[illegible]	3 10	
J C Breneman	3 50	
Mrs Anna Walker	1 00	
Clyde Abbey	1 00	
Mrs A H Pierce	1 00	
J J Smith	1 00	
Miss Mollie King	1 00	
Miss Eulalia King	1 00	
H W Roesler	3 50	
Mrs H W Roesler	1 00	
Mrs J D Abbey	1 00	
Frank Ormsby	1 00	
Helen Ormsby	1 00	
Mrs Claude Slade	1 00	
Clara Neeley	3 00	
G A Neeley	1 00	
W M Keeney	1 00	
Miss Edith McGuler	1 40	
Mrs Lucy C Gorton	1 00	
Fred Herrman	1 00	
R C Gleason	1 00	
Victor Halstrom	1 00	
Helen Kidder	1 00	
Dora L Keenan	1 00	
Norine Kidder	1 00	
E W Wilcox	4 20	
J H Wood	1 00	
Aletha Pickersgill	1 00	
F D Cummings	1 00	
Floyd Pettys	1 00	
Carl Sasse	1 00	
Rachel Mayo	1 00	
J N Huckett	1 50	
G W Huckett	1 00	
Mrs E C Day	1 00	
Forest E Day	1 00	
E W Strong	1 00	
M O'Reilly	1 00	
R Griffin	1 00	
Carrie A Day	1 00	
Sarah B Oviatt	1 00	
Mrs Enos Carr	1 00	
Alfred Stratton	2 10	
John Stratton	1 10	
Mrs A Stratton	1 00	
Mary Klesath	1 00	
Mabel Gallup	3 00	
Mrs C E Patterson	1 00	
Jerry Cummings	1 00	
Margaret Jacquette	2 00	
Geo Richards	8 00	
F E Cleveland	2 00	
Theo Cleveland	4 80	
R C Gallup	5 18	
Harvey Keller	1 00	
[illegible]	1 00	
H S Boyle	1 00	
Mrs Pauline King	1 00	
Miss C H McVean	1 00	
H T Sawyer	1 00	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
Mrs Ezra Sinclair	1 00	
Mrs S D Metzgar	1 00	
E B McKean	1 00	
Mrs E H [illegible]	1 00	
Mrs C G Anderson	1 00	
Mrs Bertha Olney	1 00	
Urban Fay	1 00	
M Fay	1 00	
Mrs B F Cory	1 00	
A L Gallup	2 50	
A B Cory	1 50	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
Mrs A D Walker	1 00	
Cynthia O Chapin	1 00	
Mrs C E Powell	1 00	
F A Berkenstock	1 00	
Jonette Herrman	1 00	
Chas Meckleman	1 00	
Mrs E A Hamilton	1 00	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
Mrs Wm Fox	1 00	
Mrs G C Rowley	1 00	
Mrs J B Oviatt	1 00	
W A Harler	1 00	
Peter Conley	1 00	
A W Wheeler	1 20	
F T La Croix	1 00	
Frank Thornton	1 00	
J B Oviatt	1 00	
F G Teft	1 00	
J J Campbell	1 00	
P G McCleary	1 00	
D Simpson	1 00	
Anna McCarthy	1 00	
Mrs Jessie Jitkins	1 00	
Iva Davy	1 00	
Mrs C H Corwin	1 00	
J L Oviatt	1 00	
Bradford Poor Farm	1 00	
C D Comes	1 30	$238 81

Concessions, Privileges and Booths.

From F C Pierce	20 00	
Price & Skellenger	15 00	
G N Lawson	17 50	
Nahara & Thomas	10 00	
R B Baker	16 00	
Elias Shemms	20 00	
C A Allegretti	25 00	
Mrs B G Smith	7 00	
W White	(Refunded)	
A S Drayton	5 00	
J R Damon	4 00	
J N Waugh	15 00	
J. Stickles	6 00	
T J Young	10 00	
F C Pierce	10 00	
E Schelhase	5 00	
J F Davis	1 00	
Elias Shemms	10 00	
W C Sumner	4 00	
L S Stilling	5 00	
Deutler & Pierce	5 00	
St Elizabeth's church	15 00	
G W Cottrell	10 00	
U S Separator Co	5 00	
Merry-go-round	90 00	
Dana G Morse	1 00	
Singer Machine Co	3 50	
Kushequa Brick Co	10 00	
Pearl Clay Prod Co	10 00	
Deutler & Pierce	15 00	
Van shows	68 86	
Eaton shows	11 75	
De Land shows	5 70	
D W Foreman	25 00	
B S Bayle	5 00	
J Kreinson & Bro	25 00	
La France Engine Co	15 00	
Singer Co Bal	11 50	$525 86

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Guy McCoy, expenses and petit cash disbursements	$ 92 35
do Guy McCoy, add'l disbursements	15 72
do Mortimer Whitehead, speaker	20 00
do Arthur Darby, Banners	45 50
do Kenneth Mayo, soliciting adver's	7 75
do C H McVean, express and draying	19 67
do C H McVean, banner H S contests	13 63
do postage	21 00
do Earl Abbey, express	25
do John Stark, labor prior to Fair	8 00
do Sam Green, team work prior to fair	15 50
do Mt Jewett Herald dodgers and stat'y	32 25
do Tom McClellan, railroad fare	2 00
do Geo McGowan, 3 mos services and ex	126 70
do " " cash to pay ticket t'k'r	11 00
do Kane Republican, window cards, etc	21 00
do Pt Allegany Reporter, dodgers	9 00
do Era Publishing Co, advertising	10 00
do S D Crawford, labor prior to fair	23 62
do C J Conrad, " "	7 80
do " labor during fair	11 75
do Star Publishing Co, season tickets, adv	26 00
do Jos W Hunter, auto license,	3 00
do Bradford Bill Posting Co, services	2 10
do Horse World, advertising,	20 50
do C H Burlingame, labor cont, stables	99 00
do C H Burlingame, carpenter work	47 78
do W H Graber, secy, R R tickets [illegible]	[illegible]
do Harrison Printing Co, stationery	87
do N D Kamer, team work prior to fair	6 00
do Aaron Fuller, bill post Coudersport	[illegible]
do O D Nourse, labor prior to fair	6 75
do " labor during fair	6 25
do " hay	75 00
do R C Slade, labor prior to fair	15 75
do Oil Well Supply Co, fitting for fire eng	1 38
do W B Emerick, bill posting in Olean	1 11
do C H Gleason, Act. freight on lumber	12 00
do F H Reed, automobile	40 52
do W D Webber, R R fare Salamanca B B club	18 70
do G P Hall, R R fare Bd'f'd H S Band and B B club	79 20
do Fred Hamilton, motor cycle races	20 00
do J C Stinson, services and exp, judging	7 00
do cash, ticket takers	1 00
do Dan Sullivan, services as custodian	12 00
do Frank Barbour, services as ticket t'k'r	4 50
do A E Huckett, services as helper at fair	2 00
do A W Todd, manager, Kulture Troupe	250 00
do J C Jackel & Co, coonts for above	30 00
do R Brakesly, exp securing horses	10 00
do R R Parsmore, Kane Band and RR fare	76 40
do Dan Deland, Loan	4 90
do Daly & Garlick, roofing and hardware for stables	90 01
do R W Hilton, expenses as per statm't	111 00
do Thos and Leo O'Brien, ser as helper	22 00
do Ike Burrows, team work at fair	1 52
do Bourc Clark, team work at fair	1 75
do Spence Whittaker, services as judge	11 00
do F L Shirliffe, board bands, etc	31 00
do " distributing as per bill	10 62
do C Crawford, services night watch	11 00
do Burt Pierce, services prior to fair	19 20
do " " during fair	10 00
do W L Burdick, services at gate,	7 00
do R Abbey, services taking tickets	1 25
do B H Foote, police duty	5 00
do Jas Dilley, police duty	7 50
do S W Doty, judging and expenses	22 93
do C H Curtiss, services at gate	7 00
do " team work during fair	11 25
do " as police after fair	3 75
do " hay	9 75
do F E Dulaz services as ticket seller	9 00
do Geo Howe, hardware, etc	5 45
do B Balliger, services as helper	8 75
do Holmes & Gilfillan, lumber	52 98
do Barnsdall Printing Co, stationery	10 75
do Eldred Eagle, dodgers	4 00
do Journal Oil Co, roof paint	21 10
do S H Elder, lumber for horse sheds	65 07
do " Coleville Band	15 00
do J W White, premium for firemen, ex	70 50
do T H Purtle, board of bands	23 50
do A H Kidder, carpenter work	3 25
do Theo Freeman, Services ticket seller	2 00
do Ruth Walker, " "	3 00
do Mrs Guy McCoy, " " etc	31 00
do S R Lindsley, stationery and adv	21 75
do F A McCoy, red tire and stationery.	7 25
do E W Strong, services as plumber,	75
do M L Armstrong, express and telegrams	16 61
do J C Hamlin, rope for bonnets and fair	12 21
do S Fry, team work with fire engine	5 10
do Backus Novelty Co, fitting for fire eng	1 50
do M S Geary, board of bands	8 50
do Court Williams, photographs	6 00
do D M Brasted, flour for paste	2 00
do C J Vanbiad, repairing water wagon and dray	7 00
do F A Green, straw and corn	13 33
do Fry & Comes, decorations for booth	8 50
do Billboard Co, advertising	5 00
do Vic Engstrom, office work for secretary	9 00
do E W Strong, treas, Smethport Band	90 00
do C E Young, services as helper	7 88
do F L McGinty, board of band	12 00
do T H Mack, ticket seller	10 75
do A G Abbey, saw dust for box stalls	12 00
do Hamlin Bank & Trust Co, interest on notes, etc	108 [illegible]
do J R Foote, services at gate	7 00
do G W King, bills	[illegible]
do H T Rollins, [illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
Paid Port Allegany Reporter, settlement 1907 account	[illegible]
Paid Era Publishing Co, settlement 1907 account	7 81
Paid Record Publishing Co, settlement 1907 account	13 50
Paid Star Publishing Co, settlement 1907 account	15 40
Paid Horse World, settlement 1907 acct	20 82
do Mrs Robt King, settlement 1906 check	2 00
do Olean Times, settlement 1907 account	4 20
do S R Lindsley, settlement 1907 account	41 80
do H L Backus, settlement 1907 account	64 62
do H C Wells, settlement 1906 account	25
do Daly & Garlick, settlement 1907 acct by merchandise	2 07
Paid Daly & Garlick, settlement 1907 acct by cash	26 00
Paid Daly & Garlick settlement 1907 acct by advertising	5 00
Paid Holmes Gilfillan, on 1907 acct adv	10 00
do E W Strong 1907 account adv	3 34
do F A Green, on 1907 acct adv	2 50
do E T Daly, on 1907 adv	2 50
do J C Hamlin, on 1907 acct adv	5 00
do Fry & Comes, on 1907 acct adv	2 00
	$252 17

Expenditures on Premiums.

Paid to Miss F P Kerr	$1 58
do Wm Ford	10 00
do W H Barlett	4 50
do A L Provin	4 32
do Wm Tanner	2 88
do Alta Stuart	2 70
do Harriet Wise	90
do H J Deitter	6 30
do Mrs J A Miller	1 62
do Mrs C C Choate	4 86
do Mae Choate	7 60
do Mrs Alma Robinson	1 62
do Henry Clark	1 80
do Mrs F A McCoy	6 03
do D L Forsythe	1 35
do Eug Evans	4 77
do Leo R Hainer	4 32
do Henry Klesath	9 22
do F B Granther	1 89
do Mrs E D Comes	1 35
do W S Acre	26 07
do Mildred Holder	4 50
do Adelia Malcolm	1 32
do S M Proper	8 28
do Mrs C Washburne	1 80
do Mrs E E Heath	8 01
do Mrs E S Stark	3 51
do Mae Dibble	5 67
do Mrs E F Richmond	2 31
do J A Rice	9 90
do Mrs J A Rice	5 01
do Dora Taylor	72
do Mrs C M Leete	9 81
do Mrs F A Green	5 67
do Lois Green	1 35
do Mrs J C Hoffman	6 57
do Mrs T A Morrison	2 88
do Mrs B F Wright	7 65
do Mrs R C Sasse	8 01
do W G Holder	1 62
do Ella Gallup	1 20
do A B Armstrong	23 31
do Mrs E L Perry	13 70
do S J Swanson	2 70
do Mrs W G Robarts	90
do J C Breneman	15 08
do Mrs Anna Walker	1 08
do Clyde Abbey	72
do Mrs Al Pierce	72
do J J Smith	10 35
do Mollie King	1 08
do Eulalia King	2 16
do H W Roesler	16 11
do Mrs H W Roesler	1 80
do Mrs J D Abbey	4 23
do Mrs Frank Ormsby	6 75
do Frank Ormsby	[illegible]
do Mrs Claude Slade	5 10
do Mrs G A Neeley	[illegible]
do G A Neeley	7 20
do W M Kinney	2 70
do Edith McGuler	[illegible]
do Mrs Lucy C Gorton	[illegible]
do Fred Herrman	[illegible]
do R C Gleason	5 92
do [illegible]	[illegible]
do Dora L Keenan	1 17
do Norine Kidder	1 35
do J H Wood	[illegible]
do Aletha Pickersgill	[illegible]
do F Cummings	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
do Mrs A B Walker	11 97
do Cynthia O Chapin	1 80
do Mrs C E Powell	[illegible]
do Chas Meckleman	2 07
do Jonett Herrman	6 12
do Mrs E A Hamilton	[illegible]
do C E Sheriby	1 87
do Frank Williams	4 51
do Enos H Carpenter	2 88
do Rose L Herzog	3 85
do Mrs J B McCarty	1 80
do Mrs F A Shepard	1 80
do Mrs F D Gallup	3 00
do Delanna Comes	[illegible]
do Mel Comes	20 74
do F A Burdick	1 17
do Wm Irons	2 09
do Geo Stenton	1 51
do Margaret Knapp	2 50
do Mrs W B Acre	7 58
do Mary C Mullen	72
do R F Burdick	2 97
do Elias Anderson	3 39
do Mrs J W Brennan	1 80
do Mrs M L [illegible]	[illegible]
do Julius Hornlein	5 12
do K W Hilton	12 96
do Mrs W M Fox	[illegible]
do Mrs G C Rowley	1 85
do Mrs J B Oviatt	4 08
do W A Harler	5 76
do J L Oviatt	4 14
do A W Wheeler	11 82
do F T La Croix	9 00
do Frank Thornton	90
do J B Oviatt	2 70
do F B Teft	21 42
do J J Campbell	5 76
do Bfd City Poor Farm	9 52
do T J Mahaney	[illegible]
do D Simpson	90
do Annah McCarty	72
do Mrs Jesse Jitkins	1 17
do Iva Davy	1 80
do C D Comes	5 01
do Atwood Putnam	16 95
do Anna Stratton	1 71
do E W Wilcox	25 56
do Orson Cory	18 00
do Frank D Harmon	3 37
do Mary Klesath	1 11
do Mrs S D Metzgar	5 03
do H. S. Boyle for High School contests	90 00
Total Premiums actually paid	$1068.58

We, the undersigned, auditors appointed by the stockholders of the McKean County Fair Association, having examined the accounts and vouchers making up the above statement do certify that the above is correct.

(Signed)
F. L. Holmes,
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